Revenue (1899) Department.

PRESS SERIES.

G.O., No. 854-854A

Dated 18th Dec: 1899

[Despatch Abstract.]

Reserved Forest

The draft notification, under Sec: 16 of the Madras Forest Act, for the Constitution of the Vedullapalli Extn: No. 2 block, in the Bapatla Taluk, as a ——, ordered to be published in the Fort St: George & the Madras Dist: Gazette.

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Revenue (1899) Department.

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From

The Board of Revenue

(Land Revenue.)

Dated 21— 11— 1899.

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FOREST No. 476

SUBJECT.

Subg to Govt, for approval and publication in the Fort St George Gazette, draft notifn under Sec 16 of the Madras Forest Act for the constitution of the Vedullapalli Extn No 2 in the Bapatla taluk, Kistna Dt, as a reserved forest.

Govt Order Press No. 260

Order Press No. 854 d/ 15th December 1899

The draft notification is approved and will be published in the Fort St George and Kistna Dt Gazettes, the 1st April 1900 being entered as the date from which reservation shall take effect.

16/12/99

To The Board of Rev L.R with map
The Supt Govt Press with notifn
Endt No. 854A

Copy to the Govt of India Rev & Ag. Dept.

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Note. The initial reservation of the block was approved in G.O. 632 dt 20-7-97.

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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

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Board of Revenue

(Land Revenue),

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Proceedings, Forest No. 496, 21st November 1899.

NOVEMBER.

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 Vedullapalli Extension No. 2 in the Bápatla taluk, Kistna district, as a reserved forest.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE

(LAND REVENUE).

The Hon'ble Mr. J. STURROCK, I.C.S.

READ—the following letter from E. A. SMITH, Esq., Special Deputy Collector on Forest Settlement Duty, Nellore, &c., Districts, to the Collector of Kistna (through the District Forest-officer, Kistna), dated Camp, Bápatla, 30th June 1899, Ref. No. 419-Cur. :—

I have the honour to report the conclusion of the settlement of the proposed Vedullapalli Extension 2 in the Bápatla 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 page 969 of the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated 3rd August 1897, and the proclamation under section 6 of the Act was published in the District Gazette, dated 2nd October 1897. The time allowed for the presentation of claims expired on the 2nd January 1898.

3. I was originally appointed to settle this block and, during my absence on privilege leave, M.R.Ry. P. S. Singaravelu Pillai Avargal was appointed Settlement-officer. In notification published at page 992 of the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated 18th October 1898, the block was retransferred to me for settlement.

4. The block was inspected, perambulated and enquired into by me in June 1898 and again enquired into by me in May 1899. Twenty claims were preferred for the following rights :—

(i) Six claims to Government patta and inam fields.
(ii) Four claims to rights of way to fields.
(iii) One claim to sivayijamma cultivation.
(iv) One claim to a spring channel in the reserve.
(v) Five claims to three rights of way.
(vi) Three claims on behalf of the District Board to Local Fund roads.

The claims to Government patta and inam fields involved in item (i) were all admitted. The fields in three cases have been excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve, while the fields in the remaining three claims have been acquired under the Land Acquisition Act either on payment of money compensation or by exchange. The claims to rights of way to fields involved in item (ii) were all rejected. The claims to sivayijamma cultivation and to a spring channel involved in items (iii) and (iv) were rejected as the claimants had no right to them. Of the four claims to rights of way, one claim is identical with one of the Local Fund claims. The three claims to two rights of way were admitted. The other claim to a public right of way over the old coast road by the District Board was at first rejected, as it was found that the road is not in use; but at the request of the District Forest-officer, under instructions from the Collector, a right of way has been since admitted, and a note has accordingly been added in the B. Register. The District Forest-officer also asks that a right on behalf of the Local Fund Board to repair the road whenever necessary may

also be granted; but as the road is not Local Fund property, I cannot see how the District Board or any one else could be given a right to repair. I would therefore suggest that the necessary permission be from time to time accorded by a departmental order. Of the three claims on behalf of the District Board, one claim was admitted, and the road has been excluded from reservation, to a width of 22 yards on either side from the centre, and right of way over the other has also been allowed until the road referred to above is completed. The claim to the other road was rejected as the road does not rest in the Local Fund Board under section 49 of Act V of 1884, and as the road is an abandoned one. This is the road above referred to over which a public right of way has been granted at the request of the District Forest-officer.

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

6. The new East Coast Railway line passes through the reserve. As this is a State Railway, the line has not been excluded from reservation.

7. 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.

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

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

B. REGISTER of claims to Lands, rights to Forest produce or easements in the proposed Vedullapalli Extension No. 2 reserved forest, Bápatla taluk, Kistna 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
1/13	Rayapudi Lakshmaiya of Kankatapalaiyam.	2nd June 1898.	Claims joint patta right over survey No. 262 of Bápatla, measuring 0·62 acre and assessed at As. 7.	Supported by village accounts.	Admits claim and requests to acquire the field.	Claim admitted. The field will be acquired under the Land Acquisition Act. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, 28th June 1898. Forest Sett.-officer *Note.*—Acquired on payment of money compensation of Rs. 3-2-0.
2/14	Rayapudi Lakshmaiya of Kankatapalaiyam.	Do.	Claims right of way to survey No. 262 of Bápatla.	....	Unnecessary if acquired.	(Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 28th June 1898. Claim rejected as unnecessary, the field having been acquired under the Land Acquisition Act.
3/15	Boddupalli Somayajulu of Vedullapalli, hamlet of Bápatla.	Do.	Claims joint inam patta right over survey No. 278 of Bápatla, measuring 2·81 acres and assessed at Rs. 2-2-0 and quit-rent of As. 3-2 (Batavarthi inam).	Supported by village accounts.	Admits claim and requests to acquire the field.	(Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 28th June 1898. Claim admitted. The field will be acquired under the Land Acquisition Act. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, 28th June 1898. Forest Sett.-officer. *Note.*—Acquired on payment of money compensation of Rs. 30-9-0.
4/16	Boddupalli Somayajulu of Vedullapalli, hamlet of Bápatla.	Do.	Claims right of way to Batavarthi inam No. 278 of Bápatla.	....	Unnecessary if acquired.	(Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 28th June 1898. Claim rejected as unnecessary, the field having been acquired under the Land Acquisition Act.
5/17	Boddupalli Somayajulu of Vedullapalli, hamlet of Bápatla.	Do.	Claims sivayijamma right over survey No. 279-B. of Bápatla, measuring 1·55 acres and assessed at Rs. 1-3-0.	The claimant holds no patta.	Contests claim	(Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 28th June 1898. Claim rejected, as the claimant holds no patta and consequently has no right to the field.
6/18	Boddupalli Somayajulu of Vedullapalli, hamlet of Bápatla.	Do.	Claims right of way to survey No. 279-B of Bápatla.	....	Do.	(Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 28th June 1898. Claim rejected as unnecessary, the claim to the field having been rejected.
7/19	Boddupalli Somayajulu of Vedullapalli, hamlet of Bápatla.	Do.	Claims right to a (Sonna) spring channel in the reserve irrigating his patta fields Nos. ⅜ and ¼ of Kankatapalaiyam.	The karnam of Kankatapalaiyam says the source of irrigation is rain and drainage from other wet fields.	Do.	(Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 28th June 1898. Claim rejected, as the claimant has no right to take water from the spring channel. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 28th June 1898.

B. Register of claims to Lands, rights to Forest produce or easements in the proposed Vedullapalli extension No. 2 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.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8/4	Bápatla Appaiya, acting karnam of Bápatla.	1st June 1898.	Brings to notice that one Kota Chendrappah of Vedullapalli (hamlet of Bápatla) holds patta right over survey No. 279-A of Bápatla, measuring 0·55 acre and assessed at As. 7.	Supported by village accounts.	Admits claim and wishes to exclude the field.	Claim admitted to the portion within the reserve, which will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, 28th June 1898. Forest Sett.-officer.
9/5	Bápatla Appaiya, acting karnam of Bápatla.	Do.	Brings to notice that one Kota Ankaiya of Vedullapalli (hamlet of Bápatla) holds patta right over survey No. 281-2 of Bápatla, measuring 0·66 acre and assessed at As. 8.	Do. do.	Do. do.	Claim admitted. The field will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 28th June 1898.
10/6	Bápatla Appaiya, acting karnam of Bápatla.	Do.	Brings to notice that one Modiboyina Somaiya of Vedullapalli (hamlet of Bápatla) holds patta right over survey No. 281-3A of Bápatla, measuring 1·50 acres and assessed at Rs. 1-2-0.	Do. do.	Do. do.	Claim admitted. The field will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 29th June 1898.
11/8 i	Bápatla Appaiya, acting karnam of Bápatla.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the foot-path from Kankatapalaiyam to Marubolu-Vallapalem.	This enters the reserve about three chains west of the south-east corner of survey No. 288 of Bápatla and running south-east and crossing the old coast road and the new District Board road from Perala to Bápatla, leaves it about a chain east of the north-west corner of survey No. 488 of Bápatla. The length inside the reserve is about four and a half furlongs.	Admits claim	Admitted as a foot-path for men only to a width of two yards. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 29th June 1898.
12/12	Dasarazu Sreeramulu, karnam of Kankatapalaiyam.	2nd June 1898.	Claims right of way over the foot-path from Kankatapalaiyam to Marubolu-Vallapalem.			
13/9	Bápatla Appaiya, acting karnam of Bápatla.	1st June 1898.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the foot-path from Kothapalem (hamlet of Bápatla) to Marubolu-Vallapalem.	This enters the reserve about one and a half chains west of the south-east corner of survey No. 436 of Bápatla and running south-south-east and crossing the old coast road and the new District Board road from Perala to Bápatla, leaves it about six chains west of the north-east corner of survey No. 488 of Bápatla. The length inside the reserve is about three and three-fourth furlongs.	Admits claim	Admitted as a foot-path for men only to a width of two yards. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 29th June 1898.
14/10	Siddabothini Kristnamma of Bápatla.	2nd June 1898.	Claims right over the temple service inam of Someswaraswami of Bápatla No. 471 of Bápatla, measuring 2·74 acres and assessed at Rs. 2-1-0.	Supported by village accounts.	Admits claim and wishes to acquire it by exchange.	Claim admitted. The field will be acquired under the Land Acquisition Act. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, 29th June 1898. Forest Sett.-officer. *Note.*—Acquired by the grant in exchange of 2·74 acres of survey No. 1785-A-15 of Bápatla, assessed at Rs. 2-1-0, sanctioned by Government in Government Order, Mis. No. 307, dated 20th February 1899. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, 22nd March 1899. Forest Sett.-officer.

Claims 11/8 *and* 12/12.—Marked as I (ii) in the plan and notification.

Claim 13/9—Marked as I (iii) in the plan and notification.

B. Register of claims to Lands, rights to Forest produce or easements in the proposed Vedullapalli extension No. 2 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.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
15 11	Siddabothini Kristnamma of Bápatla.	2nd June 1898.	Claims right of way to service inam No. 471 of Bápatla.	....	....	Claim rejected as unnecessary, the field having been acquired under the Land Acquisition Act by exchange. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, 29th June 1898. Forest Sett.-officer.
16 2	The Vice-President, District Board, Kistna.	1st June 1898.	Claims on behalf of the Local Fund Board the new road from Perala to Bápatla.	....	No objection ..	The new road is simply the old donka straightened and improved; and as the road is being brought under the management of the District Board, it will be excluded from reservation to a width of twenty-two yards on either side from the centre, right of way over the donka where necessary, being allowed until the completion of the road. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, 17th May 1899. Forest Sett.-officer.
17 3	The Vice-President, District Board, Kistna.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the Local Fund Board the donka from Perala to Bápatla.	....	May be allowed until the construction of the road in claim No. 16-2 is completed.	
18 7	Bápatla Appaiya, acting karnam of Bápatla.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the foot-path from Bápatla to Vedullapalli (donka).	....	....	
19 1	The Vice-President, District Board, Kistna.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the District Board, Kistna, the coast road and requests to exclude the same to a width of twenty-two yards on either side from its centre.	This part of the reserve contains a large number of palmyra trees.	The road is abandoned and the District Board does not seem to have spent any money over it. The claim is therefore contested.	The President, District Board, in reply to a reference from the Court says it is by no means certain that the coast road has been definitely abandoned, and adds that it is not improbable that it may be taken up and repaired in the near future. At the same time he remarks that this is a public right of way, and that a Forest Settlement-officer has no power to extinguish a public right. 2. It is evident from the above remarks that the President abandons his claim on behalf of the District Board, and wishes to claim a right of way only on behalf of the public. 3. In Government Order, No. 812 L., Local and Municipal, dated 2nd October 1895, it was decided by Government to call on all Presidents to submit lists of the roads and streets in their districts which they desired to continue to maintain, and which should therefore continue to vest in the Local Boards under section 49 of the Local Boards Act V of 1884. With reference to this order a notification was published at page 183 of the *Fort St. George Gazette* of the 21st July 1896 from which it will be seen that the road in question has been excluded from the operation of the Act, and does not therefore now vest in the Board. 4. The claim of the District Board for the exclusion of this Board as Local Fund property is therefore rejected. The claim to admit it as a public right of way will be separately dealt with under section 11 of the Forest Act. 17th May 1899. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer.
20 20	The President, District Board, Kistna.	2nd Aug. 1898.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the old coast road passing through the reserve.	This enters the reserve about two chains south of the north-east corner of survey No. 281-3A of Bápatla and running east along the boundary, leaves it about three chains west of the south-west corner of survey No 290 of Bápatla; it re-enters the reserve at the south-east corner of that number and running east along the boundary, leaves it at the north-west corner of survey No. 564 of Bápatla. The length inside the reserve is about one and a half miles.	....	The President, District Board, remarks that a Forest Settlement-officer has no power to extinguish a public right. 2. Under sections 41 and 42 of the Indian Easements Act V of 1882, an easement of necessity is extinguished when the necessity comes to an end or when it becomes incapable of being at any time and under any circumstances beneficial to the dominant owner. 3. In this case, the road is an abandoned one, crossed by the railway line without a level crossing gate, and according to the village karnam it is not now used, being considered unsafe owing to its distance from villages. The new road from Perala to Bápatla passing a few chains south of the coast road affords sufficient means of communication to the public, and the claim to a public right of way over the old coast road is therefore rejected as unnecessary. 17th May 1899. *Note.*—Public right of way has since been allowed over the road to a width of fifteen yards as a cart-track at the request of the District Forest-officer. 30th June 1899. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer.

Claims 16/2, 17/3 *and* 18/7.—Marked as II in the plan and notification.

Claim 20/20.—Marked as I (i) in the plan and notification.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.

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.		Claim to shifting cultivation.		Claim by the District Board for Local Fund roads.		Miscellaneous claims.		Total of all claims.	
	Filed.		Admitted.	Rejected.														
	Number of claims.	Extent.	Number of claims.	Number of claims.	Extent.	Filed.	Admitted.	Rejected.	Filed.	Admitted.	Filed.	Admitted.	Filed.	Admitted.	Filed.	Admitted.	Filed.	Admitted.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Vedullapalli Extension 2.	6	ACS. 8·88	6	ACS. 8·88	..	..	5	5	..	..	..	..	Filed.					
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Vedullapalli Extension 2.	1	..	1	3	2	1	5	..	5	20	13	7	14	15	16	17	18	19

ENCLOSURE No. 3.—Draft notification.

ENCLOSURE No. 4.—Sketch-map.

Endorsement by R. MORRIS, Esq., Collector of Kistna, dated Camp, Guruzala, 1st September 1899, Dis. No. 458-For.

Submitted to the Secretary to the Commissioners of Land Revenue (through the Conservator of Forests, Northern Circle.

2. The area of the block as finally settled is 603 acres.

3. The statement of area and condition and the ayakat abstract are enclosed.

4. It should be added that the road described as abandoned had not really been abandoned, but the District Board had not been repairing it of recent years. It, however, always contemplated the eventual repair of the road and the Guntúr Taluk Board has recently taken in hand stretches of this very road outside the limits of the present reserve. The claim of the District Board was opposed by the late District Forest-officer without the knowledge of the undersigned. However the admission of the right of way has rectified this, and departmental permission will always be accorded to repair the road when required.

ENCLOSURE No. 1.

STATEMENT of Area and Condition.

Total area of the taluk.	Extent of occupied and unoccupied Government lands in the taluk.	Area of reserves already notified under section 16.	Area of reserves under settlement.	Area of reserve submitted for notification under section 16.	Character of land proposed for reservation.	Sketch-map.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
SQ. MLS.	ACS.	ACS.	ACS.	ACS.		
Bápatla .. 679	Occupied .. 283,877 Unoccupied. 150,195	15,362	5,837	Vedulapalli Extension 2. 603	Grass land with scattered palmyras	Submitted.

ENCLOSURE No. 2.

AYAKAT abstract, Vedullapalli Extension 2 reserve, Bápatla taluk.

Name of village.	Area.	Area of poramboke village-sites, roads, tanks, &c.	Area under cultivation.	Area included in sanctioned reserved forests.	Area now proposed for reservation.		Balance of waste.		
					Assessed.	Unassessed.	Assessed.	Unassessed.	Total.
	ACS.	ACS.	ACS.		ACS.	ACS.	ACS.	ACS.	ACS.
Bápatla	8,300	1,190	3,280	..	106·34	496·66	1,624·66	1,602·34	3,227

Endorsement by E. D. M. HOOPER, Esq., Acting Conservator of Forests, Northern Circle, dated Camp, Nandyal, 16th September 1899, R.C. No. 253.

Forwarded.

RESOLUTION—Forest No. 496, dated 21st November 1899.

The draft final notification received with the letter read above will be submitted to Government for approval and publication in the *Fort St. George Gazette*, the 15th March 1900 being recommended as the date from which the reservation of the block should take effect.

2. *Claim No.* 20.—The Collector's proposal to allow the repair of the road referred to in this claim by a departmental order meets with the approval of the Board.

(True Copies and Extract.)

Acting Secretary.

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 {1899} of Madras.

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G.O., Nos. 854, 854A, 18th December 1899.

DECEMBER.

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

SCHEDULE.

District.	Taluk.	Name of forest.	Boundaries.
Kistna.	Bapatla.	Vedullapalli extension 2.	*North.*—Starting from a cairn about one and a half chains east of the north-east corner of survey No. 194 of Bapatla, on the south side of survey No. 279-A, the south side of that number to its south-east corner; then a straight line to the south-west corner of survey No. 281-3A; then the south and east sides of that number to its north-east corner; then along the southern surveyed boundary of Kankatapalaiyam village to the south-west corner of survey No. 282; then along the south sides of that number and of survey Nos. 288, 289, 290, 428, 429, 430, 436, 437, 447, 448, 449 and 465 to the south-east corner of the last field. *East.*—Then the west sides of survey No. 564 to its south-west corner; then a straight line to a point on the north side of survey No. 476 at the south-east corner of survey No. 475 (inside the reserve); then the north side of survey No. 476, the north and west sides of survey No. 477, the west sides of survey Nos. 478, 479, 483, 485 and 487 to the south-west corner of the last field. *South.*—Then along the north sides of survey Nos. 551 and 488 to the north-west corner of the latter number; then the northern boundaries of ~~that reserve~~ and of Vedullapalli reserve to the north-west corner of the latter reserve. *West.*—Then along the east sides of survey Nos. 119, 118 and 128, the south and the east sides of survey No. 260, the east sides of survey Nos. 257 and 256, the south sides of survey Nos. 270 and 269, the south and east sides of survey No. 270 (again), the east side of survey No. 199 and the south sides of survey Nos. 197, 195 and 194 (all of Bapatla) to the south-east corner of the last field; then a straight line to the starting point.

Vedullapalli extension

REMARKS.—I. The following public rights of way are allowed:—

(i) The old coast road from Bapatla to Chinna Ganjam to a width of fifteen yards. This enters the reserve about two chains south of the north-east corner of survey No. 281-3A and running east along the boundary leaves it at three chains west of the south-west corner of survey No. 290 of Bapatla; it re-enters the reserve at the south-east corner of that number and running east along the boundary leaves it at the north-west corner of survey No. 564 of Bapatla. The length inside the reserve is about one and a half miles.

(ii) Foot-path two yards wide from Kankatapalaiyam to Marubolu-Vallapalem for men only. This enters the reserve about three chains west of the south-east corner of survey No. 288 of Bapatla and running south-east and crossing the old coast road No. I (i) and the new District Board road from Perala to Bapatla, leaves it about a chain east of the north-west corner of survey No. 488 of Bapatla. The length inside the reserve is about four and a half furlongs.

(iii) The foot-path two yards wide from Kothapalem (hamlet of Bapatla) to Marubolu-Vallapalem for men only. This enters the reserve about one and a half chains west of the south-east corner of survey No. 436 of Bapatla and running south-south-east and crossing the old coast road and the new District Board road from Perala to Bapatla, leaves it about six chains west of the north-east corner of survey No. 488 of Bapatla. The length inside the reserve is about three and three quarter furlongs.

II. The new District Board road from Perala to Bapatla is excluded from reservation to a width of twenty-two yards on either side from its centre and a right of way over the Dhonka from Perala to Bapatla is allowed where necessary until the road is completed.

(Signed) EBER HARDIE,
District Forest-officer.

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

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NO

His Excellency the Governor in Council is leased to declare under the provisions of section
of which are set forth in the Schedule appended

District.	Taluk.	Name of Forest.	
1	2	3	
Kistna	Bapatla	Vedulla palli Ext: 2	North:- Starting from a northeast corner of S. no: 279 A, thr southeast corner; corner of S. no: 284/84 of that number the southern curv village to the east along the south S. nos: 288, 289, 290 449 and 465 to the East:- Thence the west corner, thence a str northside of S. no: S. no: 475 (inside of S. no: 476, the n the west sides of S

TION.

Madras Forest Act V of 1882 that from the
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District Forest Officer.

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District Settlement Officer

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of the southeast corner of S. no: 436 of

Bapatla and running south-southeast

and crossing the old coast road and

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Perala to Bapatla, leaves it about

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II The new District Board Road

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Perala to Bapatla is allowed where

necessary, until the road is

completed. ✓

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Read—the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), Forest No. 496, dated 21st November 1899 :—

The Hon'ble Mr. J. Sturrock, I.C.S.

Read—the following letter from E. A. SMITH, Esq., Special Deputy Collector on Forest Settlement Duty, Nellore, &c., Districts, to the Collector of Kistna (through the District Forest-officer, Kistna), dated Camp, Bápatla, 30th June 1899, Ref. No. 419-Cur. :—

I have the honour to report the conclusion of the settlement of the proposed Vedullapalli Extension 2 in the Bápatla 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 page 969 of the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated 3rd August 1897, and the proclamation under section 6 of the Act was published in the District Gazette, dated 2nd October 1897. The time allowed for the presentation of claims expired on the 2nd January 1898.

3. I was originally appointed to settle this block and, during my absence on privilege leave, M.R.Ry. P. S. Singaravelu Pillai Avargal was appointed Settlement-officer. In notification published at page 992 of the *Fort St. George Gazette*, dated 18th October 1898, the block was retransferred to me for settlement.

4. The block was inspected, perambulated and enquired into by me in June 1898 and again enquired into by me in May 1899. Twenty claims were preferred for the following rights :—

(i) Six claims to Government patta and inam fields.
(ii) Four claims to rights of way to fields.
(iii) One claim to sivayijamma cultivation.
(iv) One claim to a spring channel in the reserve.
(v) Five claims to three rights of way.
(vi) Three claims on behalf of the District Board to Local Fund roads.

The claims to Government patta and inam fields involved in item (i) were all admitted. The fields in three cases have been excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve, while the fields in the remaining three claims have been acquired under the Land Acquisition Act either on payment of money compensation or by exchange. The claims to rights of way to fields involved in item (ii) were all rejected. The claims to sivayijamma cultivation and to a spring channel involved in items (iii) and (iv) were rejected as the claimants had no right to them. Of the four claims to rights of way, one claim is identical with one of the Local Fund claims. The three claims to two rights of way were admitted. The other claim to a public right of way over the old coast road by the District Board was at first rejected, as it was found that the road is not in use ; but at the request of the District Forest-officer, under instructions from the Collector, a right of way has been since admitted, and a note has accordingly been added in the B. Register. The District Forest-officer also asks that a right on behalf of the Local Fund Board to repair the road whenever necessary may

also be granted ; but as the road is not Local Fund property, I cannot see how the District Board or any one else could be given a right to repair. I would therefore suggest that the necessary permission be from time to time accorded by a departmental order. Of the three claims on behalf of the District Board, one claim was admitted, and the road has been excluded from reservation, to a width of 22 yards on either side from the centre, and right of way over the other has also been allowed until the road referred to above is completed. The claim to the other road was rejected as the road does not rest in the Local Fund Board under section 49 of Act V of 1884, and as the road is an abandoned one. This is the road above referred to over which a public right of way has been granted at the request of the District Forest-officer.

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

6. The new East Coast Railway line passes through the reserve. As this is a State Railway, the line has not been excluded from reservation.

7. 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.

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

Enclosure No. 1.

B. Register of claims to Lands, rights to Forest produce or easements in the proposed Vedullapalli Extension No. 2 reserved forest, Bápatla taluk, Kistna 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
1/13	Rayapudi Lakshmaiya of Kankatapalaiyam.	2nd June 1898.	Claims joint patta right over survey No. 262 of Bápatla, measuring 0·62 acre and assessed at As. 7.	Supported by village accounts.	Admits claim and requests to acquire the field.	Claim admitted. The field will be acquired under the Land Acquisition Act. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, 28th June 1898. Forest Sett.-officer. *Note.*—Acquired on payment of money compensation of Rs. 3-2-0. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 28th June 1898.
2/14	Rayapudi Lakshmaiya of Kankatapalaiyam.	Do.	Claims right of way to survey No. 262 of Bápatla.	....	Unnecessary if acquired.	Claim rejected as unnecessary, the field having been acquired under the Land Acquisition Act. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 28th June 1898.
3/15	Boddupalli Somayajulu of Vedullapalli, hamlet of Bápatla.	Do.	Claims joint inam patta right over survey No. 278 of Bápatla, measuring 2·81 acres and assessed at Rs. 2-2-0 and quit-rent of As. 3-2 (Batavarthi inam).	Supported by village accounts.	Admits claim and requests to acquire the field.	Claim admitted. The field will be acquired under the Land Acquisition Act. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, 28th June 1898. Forest Sett.-officer. *Note.*—Acquired on payment of money compensation of Rs. 30-9-0. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 28th June 1898.
4/16	Boddupalli Somayajulu of Vedullapalli, hamlet of Bápatla.	Do.	Claims right of way to Batavarthi inam No. 278 of Bápatla.	....	Unnecessary if acquired.	Claim rejected as unnecessary, the field having been acquired under the Land Acquisition Act. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 28th June 1898.
5/17	Boddupalli Somayajulu of Vedullapalli, hamlet of Bápatla.	Do.	Claims sivayijamma right over survey No. 279-B. of Bápatla, measuring 1·55 acres and assessed at Rs. 1-3-0.	The claimant holds no patta.	Contests claim	Claim rejected, as the claimant holds no patta and consequently has no right to the field. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 28th June 1898.
6/18	Boddupalli Somayajulu of Vedullapalli, hamlet of Bápatla.	Do.	Claims right of way to survey No. 279-B of Bápatla.	....	Do.	Claim rejected as unnecessary, the claim to the field having been rejected. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 28th June 1898.
7/19	Boddupalli Somayajulu of Vedullapalli, hamlet of Bápatla.	Do.	Claims right to a (Sonna) spring channel in the reserve irrigating his patta fields Nos. ½ and ¼ of Kankatapalaiyam.	The karnam of Kankatapalaiyam says the source of irrigation is rain and drainage from other wet fields.	Do.	Claim rejected, as the claimant has no right to take water from the spring channel. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 28th June 1898.

B. Register of claims to Lands, rights to Forest produce or easements in the proposed Vedullapalli extension No. 2 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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8/4	Bápatla Appaiya, acting karnam of Bápatla.	1st June 1898.	Brings to notice that one Kota Chendrappah of Vedullapalli (hamlet of Bápatla) holds patta right over survey No. 279-A of Bápatla, measuring 0·55 acre and assessed at As. 7.	Supported by village accounts.	Admits claim and wishes to exclude the field.	Claim admitted to the portion within the reserve, which will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, 28th June 1898. Forest Sett.-officer.
9/5	Bápatla Appaiya, acting karnam of Bápatla.	Do.	Brings to notice that one Kota Ankaiya of Vedullapalli (hamlet of Bápatla) holds patta right over survey No. 281-2 of Bápatla, measuring 0·66 acre and assessed at As. 8.	Do. do.	Do. do.	Claim admitted. The field will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 28th June 1898.
10/6	Bápatla Appaiya, acting karnam of Bápatla.	Do.	Brings to notice that one Modiboyina Somaiya of Vedullapalli (hamlet of Bápatla) holds patta right over survey No. 281-3A of Bápatla, measuring 1·50 acres and assessed at Rs. 1-2-0.	Do. do.	Do. do.	Claim admitted. The field will be excluded by an alteration of the boundary of the reserve. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 29th June 1898.
11/8	Bápatla Appaiya, acting karnam of Bápatla.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the foot-path from Kankatapalaiyam to Marubolu-Vallapalem.	This enters the reserve about three chains west of the south-east corner of survey No. 288 of Bápatla and running south-east and crossing the old coast road and the new District Board road from Perala to Bápatla, leaves it about a chain east of the north-west corner of survey No. 488 of Bápatla. The length inside the reserve is about four and a half furlongs.	Admits claim	Admitted as a foot-path for men only to a width of two yards. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 29th June 1898.
12/12	Dasarazu Sreeramulu, karnam of Kankatapalaiyam.	2nd June 1898.	Claims right of way over the foot-path from Kankatapalaiyam to Marubolu-Vallapalem.			
13/9	Bápatla Appaiya, acting karnam of Bápatla.	1st June 1898.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the foot-path from Kothapalem (hamlet of Bápatla) to Marubolu-Vallapalem.	This enters the reserve about one and a half chains west of the south-east corner of survey No. 436 of Bápatla and running south-south-east and crossing the old coast road and the new District Board road from Perala to Bápatla, leaves it about six chains west of the north-east corner of survey No. 488 of Bápatla. The length inside the reserve is about three and three-fourth furlongs.	Admits claim	Admitted as a foot-path for men only to a width of two yards. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer. 29th June 1898.
14/10	Siddabothini Kristnamma of Bápatla.	2nd June 1898.	Claims right over the temple service inam of Someswaraswami of Bápatla No. 471 of Bápatla, measuring 2·74 acres and assessed at Rs. 2-1-0.	Supported by village accounts.	Admits claim and wishes to acquire it by exchange.	Claim admitted. The field will be acquired under the Land Acquisition Act. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, 29th June 1898. Forest Sett.-officer. *Note.*—Acquired by the grant in exchange of 2·74 acres of survey No. 1785-A-15 of Bápatla, assessed at Rs. 2-1-0, sanctioned by Government in Government Order, Mis. No. 307, dated 20th February 1899. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, 22nd March 1899. Forest Sett.-officer.

Claims 11/8 *and* 12/12.—Marked as I (ii) in the plan and notification.

Claim 13/9—Marked as I (iii) in the plan and notification.

B. Register of claims to Lands, rights to Forest produce or easements in the proposed Vedullapalli extension No. 2 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.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
15	Siddabothini Krishnamma of Bápatla.	2nd June 1898.	Claims right of way to service inam No. 471 of Bápatla.	....	....	Claim rejected as unnecessary, the field having been acquired under the Land Acquisition Act by exchange. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, 29th June 1898. Forest Sett.-officer.
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16	The Vice-President, District Board, Kistna.	1st June 1898.	Claims on behalf of the Local Fund Board the new road from Perala to Bápatla.	....	No objection ..	The new road is simply the old donka straightened and improved; and as the road is being brought under the management of the District Board, it will be excluded from reservation to a width of twenty-two yards on either side from the centre, right of way over the donka where necessary, being allowed until the completion of the road. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, 17th May 1899. Forest Sett.-officer.
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17	The Vice-President, District Board, Kistna.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the Local Fund Board the donka from Perala to Bápatla.	....	....	The President, District Board, in reply to a reference from the Court says it is by no means certain that the coast road has been definitely abandoned, and adds that it is not improbable that it may be taken up and repaired in the near future. At the same time he remarks that this is a
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18	Bápatla Arpaiya, acting karnam of Bápatla.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the foot-path from Bápatla to Vedullapalli (donka).	....	....	
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19	The Vice-President, District Board, Kistna.	Do.	Claims on behalf of the District Board, Kistna, the coast road and requests to exclude the same to a width of twenty-two yards on either side from its centre.	This part of the reserve contains a large number of palmyra trees.	The road is abandoned and the District Board does not seem to have spent any money over it. The claim is therefore contested.	
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public right of way, and that a Forest Settlement-officer has no power to extinguish a public right.

2. It is evident from the above remarks that the President abandons his claim on behalf of the District Board, and wishes to claim a right of way only on behalf of the public.

3. In Government Order, No. 812 L., Local and Municipal, dated 2nd October 1895, it was decided by Government to call on all Presidents to submit lists of the roads and streets in their districts which they desired to continue to maintain, and which should therefore continue to vest in the Local Boards under section 49 of the Local Boards Act V of 1884. With reference to this order a notification was published at page 183 of the *Fort St. George Gazette* of the 21st July 1896 from which it will be seen that the road in question has been excluded from the operation of the Act, and does not therefore now vest in the Board.

4. The claim of the District Board for the exclusion of this Board as Local Fund property is therefore rejected. The claim to admit it as a public right of way will be separately dealt with under section 11 of the Forest Act.

17th May 1899.
The President, District Board, Kistna.

20	The President, District Board, Kistna.	2nd Aug. 1898.	Claims on behalf of the public right of way over the old coast road passing through the reserve.	This enters the reserve about two chains south of the north-east corner of survey No. 281-3A of Bápatla and running east along the boundary, leaves it at the north-west corner of survey No. 290 of Bápatla; it re-enters the reserve at the south-east corner of that number and running east along the boundary, leaves it at the north-west corner of survey No. 564 of Bápatla. The length inside the reserve is about one and a half miles.	....	The President, District Board, remarks that a Forest Settlement-officer has no power to extinguish a public right. 2. Under sections 41 and 42 of the Indian Easements Act V of 1882, an easement of necessity is extinguished when the necessity comes to an end or when it becomes incapable of being at any time and under any circumstances beneficial to the dominant owner. 3. In this case, the road is an abandoned one, crossed by the railway line without a level crossing gate, and according to the village karnam it is not now used, being considered unsafe owing to its distance from villages. The new road from Perala to Bápatla passing a few chains south of the coast road is therefore rejected as unnecessary. (Signed) E. A. SMITH, Forest Sett.-officer.
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17th May 1899.
Note.—Public right of way has since been allowed over the road to a width of fifteen yards on either side from the centre.
(Signed) E. A. SMITH,
30th June 1899. Forest Sett.-officer.

Claims 16/2, 17/3 and 18/7.—Marked as II in the plan and notification.

Claim 20/20.—Marked as I (i) in the plan and notification.

Enclosure No. 2.

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
Vedullapalli Extension 2.	6	acs. 8·88	6	acs. 8·88	..	..	5	5	..	..	..	..

Name and number of the block.	Claim to sivayijamma cultivation.			Claim by the District Board for Local Fund roads.			Miscellaneous claims.			Total of all claims.		
	Filed.	Admitted.	Rejected.	Field.	Admitted.	Rejected.	Filed.	Admitted.	Rejected.	Filed.	Admitted.	Rejected.
	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25
Vedullapalli Extension 2.	1	..	1	3	2	1	5	..	5	20	13	7

Enclosure No. 3.—Draft notification.

Enclosure No. 4.—Sketch-map.

Endorsement by R. MORRIS, Esq., Collector of Kistna, dated Camp, Guruzala, 1st September 1899, Dis. No. 458-For.

Submitted to the Secretary to the Commissioners of Land Revenue (through the Conservator of Forests, Northern Circle.

2. The area of the block as finally settled is 603 acres.

3. The statement of area and condition and the ayakat abstract are enclosed.

4. It should be added that the road described as abandoned had not really been abandoned, but the District Board had not been repairing it of recent years. It, however, always contemplated the eventual repair of the road and the Guntúr Taluk Board has recently taken in hand stretches of this very road outside the limits of the present reserve. The claim of the District Board was opposed by the late District Forest-officer without the knowledge of the undersigned. However the admission of the right of way has rectified this, and departmental permission will always be accorded to repair the road when required.

Enclosure No. 1.

Statement of Area and Condition.

Total area of the taluk.	Extent of occupied and unoccupied Government lands in the taluk.	Area of reserves already notified under section 16.	Area of reserves under settlement.	Area of reserve submitted for notification under section 16.	Character of land proposed for reservation.	Sketch-map.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
SQ. MLS.	ACS.	ACS.	ACS.	ACS.		
Bápatla .. 679	Occupied .. 283,877 Unoccupied. 150,195	15,362	5,837	Vedulapalli Extension 2. 603	Grass land with scattered palmyras	Submitted.

Enclosure No. 2.

Ayakat abstract, Vedullapalli Extension 2 reserve, Bápatla taluk.

Name of village.	Area.	Area of poramboke village-sites, roads, tanks, &c.	Area under cultivation.	Area included in sanctioned reserved forests.	Area now proposed for reservation.		Balance of waste.		
					Assessed.	Unassessed.	Assessed.	Unassessed.	Total.
	ACS.	ACS.	ACS.		ACS.	ACS.	ACS.	ACS.	ACS.
Bápatla	8,300	1,190	3,280	..	106·34	496·66	1,624·66	1,602·34	3,227

Endorsement by E. D. M. HOOPER, Esq., Acting Conservator of Forests, Northern Circle, dated Camp, Nandyal, 16th September 1899, R.C. No. 253.

Forwarded.

Resolution—Forest No. 496, dated 21st November 1899.

The draft final notification received with the letter read above will be submitted to Government for approval and publication in the *Fort St. George Gazette*, the 15th March 1900 being recommended as the date from which the reservation of the block should take effect.

2. *Claim No.* 20.—The Collector's proposal to allow the repair of the road referred to in this claim by a departmental order meets with the approval of the Board.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed) W. FRANCIS,
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. 854, Revenue, dated 18th December 1899.

Forest No. 260.

The draft notification is approved and will be published in the Fort St. George and Kistna District Gazettes, the 1st April 1900 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. 854A.

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 1st April 1900, the area, the boundaries of which are set forth in the schedule appended to this notification, shall be constituted a "reserved forest."

Schedule.

District.	Taluk.	Name of forest.	Boundaries.
Kistna ..	Bapatla ..	Vedullapalli extension 2.	*North.*—Starting from a cairn about one and a half chains east of the north-east corner of survey No. 194 of Bapatla, on the south side of survey No. 279-A, the south side of that number to its south-east corner; then a straight line to the south-west corner of survey No. 281-3A; then the south and east sides of that number to its north-east corner; then along the southern surveyed boundary of Kankatapalaiyam village to the south-west corner of survey No. 282; then along the south sides of that number and of survey Nos. 288, 289, 290, 428, 429, 430, 436, 437, 447, 448, 449 and 465 to the south-east corner of the last field. *East.*—Then the west sides of survey No. 564 to its south-west corner; then a straight line to a point on the north side of survey No. 476 at the south-east corner of survey No. 475 (inside the reserve); then the north side of survey No. 476, the north and west sides of survey No. 477, the west sides of survey Nos. 478, 479, 483, 485 and 487 to the south-west corner of the last field. *South.*—Then along the north sides of survey Nos. 551 and 488 to the north-west corner of the latter number; then the northern boundaries of Vedullapalli extension No. 1 and of Vedullapalli reserve to the north-west corner of the latter reserve. *West.*—Then along the east sides of survey Nos. 119, 118 and 128, the south and the east sides of survey No. 260, the east sides of survey Nos. 257 and 256, the south sides of survey Nos. 270 and 269, the south and east sides of survey No. 270 (again), the east side of survey No. 199 and the south sides of survey Nos. 197, 195 and 194 (all of Bapatla) to the south-east corner of the last field; then a straight line to the starting point.

Remarks.—I. The following public rights of way are allowed:—

(i) The old coast road from Bapatla to Chinna Ganjam to a width of fifteen yards. This enters the reserve about two chains south of the north-east corner of survey No. 281-3A and running east along the boundary leaves it at three chains west of the south-west corner of survey No. 290 of Bapatla; it re-enters the reserve at the south-east corner of that number and running east along the boundary leaves it at the north-west corner of survey No. 564 of Bapatla. The length inside the reserve is about one and a half miles.

(ii) Foot-path two yards wide from Kankatapalaiyam to Marubolu-Vallapalem for men only. This enters the reserve about three chains west of the south-east corner of survey No. 288 of Bapatla and running south-east and crossing the old coast road No. I (i) and the new District Board road from Perala to Bapatla, leaves it about a chain east of the north-west corner of survey No. 488 of Bapatla. The length inside the reserve is about four and a half furlongs.

(iii) The foot-path two yards wide from Kothapalem (hamlet of Bapatla) to Marubolu-Vallapalem for men only. This enters the reserve about one and a half chains west of the south-east corner of survey No. 436 of Bapatla and running south-south-east and crossing the old coast road and the new District Board road from Perala to Bapatla, leaves it about six chains west of the north-east corner of survey No. 488 of Bapatla. The length inside the reserve is about three and three quarter furlongs.

II. The new District Board road from Perala to Bapatla is excluded from reservation to a width of twenty-two yards on either side from its centre and a right of way over the Dhonka from Perala to Bapatla is allowed where necessary until the road is completed.

Exd. Shaik Karim.

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