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Mean Price

Dry 3 2 9 — 1 7

Wet 10 13 3 — 5 9

Average rates of Government Tolls per Acre

Dry 1 6 6

Wet 4 8 1

Average Grain of Pasturage on wet & land in Jeypore and in Vizagapatam exclusive of the 16 Villages of the Tolls of Salem for Period of 15 years.

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Name of Village	Calculated Extent in Acres	Gross Extent	Deduct Waste and Pasturage 25 per cent	Average Grain of Crop	Value of the Grain of Crop in £ s d	Rates per Acre
191 6	[illegible]	[illegible]	[illegible]	1 7 8	31607-2-6	1 4 5

From the Collector of Jeypore & the Master of Mines

"I have the honor to enclose you the original letter of the Ademaney Appeal from the "persons from the two Villages were deputed to meet Ramasamy Pantulu and "received from Tandy 1823 Star Pagodas & appointed to the said Pantulu Commissioner "of which mean Annual Assessment During that period to amount to Star Pagodas 11760 "was signed by Rama Gunstal as return of the general Expenses of Ramasamy Pantulu "also shew that the Lands belong to the Pagoda. You will also observe that among the Accounts "produced by Plaintiff - before the Director are all merged in Pagodas are also signed" "established the Plaintiff's claim - Nothing however to me doubt on my mind that the Villages belong to the Pagoda -

2 - The Pagoda is in Jeypore but as the Complaint is about Lands which are in "Pagodas under your charge, I offer that it is more suitable for"

The receipt of the above Communication from the Collector of Jeypore & Collector of Vizagapatam a letter was addressed by the Manager of Pongapa on the 9th July 1853 stating that from the Trustees of the Temple, & the Ramasamy Gunstal of the Defendants that the Villages in question do belong to the Temple & that the present Head of the same should be appointed by the Temple - after the said Ramasamy Gunstal's letter did not contain any thing which would be useful Temple - after the said Ramasamy Gunstal's letter did not contain any thing which would be useful to enable the Trustees to decide whether the injunction applied for upon them upon the ensuing Law Suit ought to be dissolved or not - Upon this the Trustees of the Defendants on the 22nd July 1853 - The Manager of Pongapa communicated the same to the Trustees of the Temple

The Villages in question belong to the Temple

The Defendants Ramasamy Gunstal & Subbiah Gunstal produced a Cowle of recent dated by the Trustees of the Temple from A.D. 1785 to 1852 (for some years receipts are missing) by the Zemindars of Jeypore to the Head of the Temple at Tirupati for the Villages in question - In this receipt it is stated that they are paid to the Head of the Temple at Tirupati for the Villages". They also produced a Cowle dated 1803 granted by Rajah of Jeypore in A.D. 1804 to the Head of the Temple at Tirupati for the Villages in question - They also produced a Cowle granted by Rajah of Pongapa

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II - - - The Trustees produced an agreement dated 1822 executed by Sawy Gurukkal, son of the late Kuran Kuran Desikan Rama Swamy Gurukkal & Lakshmana Gurukkal, to "Nattar" or a community of certain Villages agreeing that he will act in managing the affairs of the Temple & the Villages at which to which reclaims of the Villages in question, as a Manager of Nattar, to whom the Temple belongs & that he will undergo certain penalty if he acts contrary to the agreement - They produced also a Potta which is written & read on the day of "Tiruvadirai" festival, in the presence of the God & Goddess annually - In the Potta these Villages are entered as the property of the Villages - The Trustees pleaded that the agreement executed by Sawy Gurukkal in AD 1822 was signed by the parties of the Defendants who deny every particulars of it - All these documents were before the Collector of Tanjore when he wrote his letter dated 28 February 1853 -

III From the Accounts of Fasli 1211 - 1223 & the Boards Proceedings of AD 1815, it appears that these Villages are the personal property of the person of 1813 - whilst it appears from the letter of the Collectors of the Tanjore Districts that the proceeds of the Village are always appropriated to the use of the Temple - The Pongal Potta granted by the Zemindar in AD 1804 to the Defendants Ramaswamy Gurukkal & Subramania Gurukkal & the receipts granted to them jointly by the Zemindars servants are in their favour - The letter of the Collector of Tanjore fully the balance on one side & the documents produced by the Defendants - fall on the other side - Both are equal in balance - After weighing the matter thoroughly I assent to the conclusion that these are personal grants & that the proceeds of the same are being appropriated to the use of the Temple since the Cornwallis Century - by some Cause or other - Hence the Defendants will have no claim to the Villages - At the same time the Trustees, I think, are not justified to claim to treat these Villages as religious endowments, since the original Grantees of the same are not as such - Under these circumstances I recommend to confer the Village upon the Temple on 8 g assessment & register the Defendants to that Count - Now, one of the family of the Defendants were "Stanapathy" or principal servants of the Temple when the Temple was under the management of the Govt Officers - They were dismissed by the Trustees when the Temple was made over to them -

IV - - The Lands depend upon one Tank of moderate size - It is in repair - It is fed by a Jungle Stream - It is fed annually - No security of Water is felt generally - Soil is of a superior quality generally - The Trustees produced a register with the Kudivaram entries - As I had reasons to doubt much its correctness I got the Lands measured - The results of which are as follows -

	Acres	Cents
Nanjah	29	07
Punjah	16	80
	45	87
Deduct Boundaries	22	77½
Remainder	23	10
Particulars		
Wet	8	75 Sullivantus
Wet	8	75 Vasta
Total	17	50
Punjah	2	24 Sullivantus
Punjah	3	36 Vasta
Total	5	60
Grand Total	23	10

	Acres	Cents
Nanjah	39	53
Punjah	44	91 84 44
Deduct Boundaries		16 80
Remainder		67 64
Particulars		
Nanjah Sullivantus	15	09
Vasta	24	44
Total	39	53
Dry Sullivantus	12	29
Dry Vasta	15	82
Total	28	11
Grand Total	67	64

The Trustees who were along with the measurers & Gumastahs also present during the measurement signed the accounts - The Trustees pleaded that the Land Register Field Book should not be given up to Government