# GOSSNER EVANGELICAL – LUTHERAN CHURCH IN CHOTANAGPUR AND ASSAM

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Office of the Commissioner of Chota Nagpur.

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Babu Bishundev Narayan Singh,
Personal Assistant to Commissioner.

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The Secretary to the Gossner avangelical Lutheran Church in Inota Nagpur and Assam.

Govindpur - Post Jariagarh.

Dish. Manchi.

Hanchi, the/Oth July 1923.

Sub:- Supply of labour for the Andamans.

Sir,

With reference to your letter dated the 28th June 1923, on the subject mentioned above, I am directed by the Commissioner to say that so far as we are aware, there has been no recent reference or correspondence about the supply of labour to Andamans.

I have the honour to be,

Your most obedient servant,

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Choudhury.

axd. par

Dewakhand Syndicate, ANCHI, CHOTA NAGPORE, INDIA,

#### CULTIVATORS OF LAC AND OIL SEEDS.

Tel. Address: "LACOIL RANCHI."

Dewarkhand: 14th March 192 3.

Ref. No.....

Rev. I. Cannaday Secry Advisory Board G.E.L. Chen

Dear Sir.

We have pleasure in confirming our recent interviews with you on the question of Chota Nagpur labour, and the following is briefly the proposed scheme outlined:-

- The nature of our business is the cultivation of Lac and Oil Seeds on scientific principles, for which we have acquired on long lease 36,000 acres comprising 23 villages in the Pergana of Dewarkhand, which will shortly be brought under the Imperial Forest Act.
- It is our intention to co-operate with our labour, and first and foremost see to their welfare, giving them materials to build their own homes, and land to provide themselves with free rice, paying them at the same time the prevailing rate of wage weekly on Bazaar day. For the time being we would make provision for fifty families.
- We have been able to draw ample labour from the 3,000 villagers who occupy hamlets on our estate, but our desire is to give preference to Christian labour which has had the advantages of sound intellectual and moral training. We feel sure that the aborigine with these advantages and the wholesome physical conditions of life which we are offering them, will soon raise themselves to a higher standard of living.
- To maintain their religious training we would build them a tempore ary Church, and look forward with hopes to the future in this regard. We would leave it to you to indicate what we should do for the elementary training of their children. As regards the labourers themselves, we shall make a special effort to give them a good agricultural training in the branches we are specializing in, and at the same time introduce useful arts and crafts.

We know you will appreciate the spirit in which this proposal is made to you, and shall be glad to answer any further questions you desire to ask. We feel sure that with the valuable aid of your Board the good work well begun will soon show gratifying progress and expansion to all concerned, and greatly improve the present unsatisfactory labour conditions prevailing in this Province by giving the labourer every inducement to remain at home.

Awaiting the favour of your early decision, avour of your early to the dewarkhand syndicate For THE DEWARKHAND SYNDICATE

# The Gossner Evangelical Tutheran Church in Chota Kappur and Assam.

Head-quarters :- Ranchi.

Secretary:—
P. Hurad.

No.

GOVINDPUR,
P. O. JARIAGARH,
Dist. Ranchi.

Dated ... 28th : June ...... 19.. 23.

To,

The Commissioner of the Chota Nagpur Division.

Chota Nagpur.

RANCHI.

Sir,

I beg leave to state that some months back a Communication appears to have been sent to me from Government on the subject of supply of labour from Ranchi or Chota Nagpur to the Andamans. The communication is now missing from our files. If I remember aright ,I think, it was stated therein that correspondence could be opened with you on the subject ,if necessary.

As the people belonging to our Church wish to emigrate to the islands, I shall feel grateful, if you would be so kind as to furnish us with the information required.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Secretary.

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The Deputy Commissioner,

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Sir,

Sometimes towards the end of December last, I addressed a letter to the Treasury Officer, Ranchi, on the subject of payment of28 112/8/-to Mussamat Magri Mariam, mother of Abiraham Topono of Village Urmi, Thana Torpa, who died at Puri while training for overeseas service in the Labour Corps.

Instructions were received from the Non-military Pay & Pensions Accounts Office, Karachi, to communicate with the Treasury Officer, Ranchi, to receive payment of the amount shown above.

The mother of the deceased and his eldest brother both requested me to get their money from the Treasury Officer as directed, who was accordingly written to. I am sorry I have not been favoured, with any reply nor with a remittance as requested.

I have the honour therefore to request that you will kindly look into the matter soon and for which I shall be much thankful.

I have the honor to be, Sir, Your most obedient servant,

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G.E.L. Church, Chota Nagpur and Assam.

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To,

The Deputy Commissioner of Lanchi.

Ranchi.

Sir,

With reference to your Office No. J.1717 dated the 20th. May 1922, on the subject of final settlement of the dues to the over-seas and Puri labourers, I have the honor to forward the applications and list of applicants with particulars in tabular form, of persons who went from our church in Eanchi district.

Much time was taken in collecting these applications from the villages and hence the delay which is very much regretted.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

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Dated Ranchi, the 21st June 1922.

Copy forwarded to the Sub-Divisional Officer Khunti for information and for at favour of necessary action.

Sd. E. R. Cousines.

Deputy Commissioner, Banchi.

Memo Nol //39-47 Dated Khunti, the 24th June 1922.

copy forwarded to The Mission at Gobindput.

Synogran Herri.
Sub-Divisional Officer, Khunti.

Government of Bihar and Orissa.

Political Department.

Political Branch.

No. 450-73 P.R.

From

. J. G. Shearer, Esqr, I.C.S.,

Under Secretary to Government.

To

Commissioners of Divisions,
Heads of Departments,
Officer Commanding Bihar and Orissa Chotanagpur.
Regt.
Secretary Bihar xx Planters Association, Honarary
Secretary, Colliery Managers Association,
Superintendent Peninsular Tobacco Co. Ltd.
Ranchi the 1st June 1922.

Subject... Formal Commissions for gentlemen commissioned to the ... Indian Army Reserve of Officers.

I am directed to say that Large number of formal commissions for gentlemen who served in the Indian Army Reserve of Officers during the great war have been received by the Militaty Secretary Army Headquarters, for distribution. As practically all the gentlemen concerned have since been demobilized and have returned to civil life, great difficulty has been experienced in ascertaining their addresses. I am accordingly to request that you will make known as widely as possible the fact that gentlemen who served in the Indian Army Reserve of Officers and who have not received their them from the Military Secretary, Head Quarters, Simla, direct, on applicationsl

I have etc ...

Sd. J. G. Shearer.

Under Secretary to Govet.

Memo No. 1896 J.

Dated Ranchi the 12th June 1922.

Copy forwarded to the Deputy Commissioner of Ranchi for information and necessary action and for favour of communication the Sub Divisional Officer under him.

Sd. C. C. Mukharji. For Commissioner.

# OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY G.E.L. CHURCH, CHOTA NACPUR & ASSAM.

Govindapur.

P.O. Jariagarh.

24th . May 1922.

The Deputy Commissioner of the district of Ranchi. R A N C H I.

Sir,

Adverting to your letter No. J/ 1717 dated 20th. May 1922, on the subject of final settlement of the dues to the overseas and Puri labourers, I have the honour to say that your points are being circularised to the Christians of our Church through our church workers and I hope to send in duly the necessary papers to your office as soon as the informations called for reach my hands.

I have the honor to be, Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

Secretary,

G.E.L. Church in Chota Nagpur and Assam.

No J. 1717

From,

The Deputy Commissioner of Ranchi.

To,

The Teentary G. C. d. Mission Runche:

Dated Ranchi the 20th May 1922.

Sir,

I have the honour to request you to be so good as to enquire and report on the following points at your earliest conviniencex .

- (a) If the labourer who went to overseas or to Puri have received their dues in full.
- (b) If the heirs of the deceased labourers have received their gratuity in full.
- (c) Names fathers' names Not. Unit of each individual should be taken with application for claim of money.

These informations are required to deal with the cases of non-paymnet gratuity of final settlement of the labourers Please treat this very important and urgent.

I have the honour to be, Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

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For Deputy Commissioner, Ranchi.

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Masiholas Topono Bamre Dist Ranchi.

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जानं कीर निहा भी वरावर कामते रहना देशकाविही देखने से जा हरा हा जाता है। Margharela. D. S. R. Model and Dist Dibrugarh Upper Ussam. C/o. G. Hemrom Calechist Margharela D. S. R Namdang T. E. यहां पर एक प्रवादक में है जो बराबर हम लोगों के लिय चिता करता रहता है, जिए जा भी होता है ड. मेरी कार

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TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS:
"LABOUR."

No. 122/13.

From

D. S. Mackay, Esqr.,

TEA DISTRICTS LABOUR ASSOCIATION

Ranchi.

To

The Secretary,

G. E. L. Church,

Chota Nagpur & Assam,

Govindpur, Jariagarh P.O.

Dated Ranchi the 16th June, 1922.

SIR,

With reference to your Memorandum of 14th June, 1922, I have the honour to say that recruiting Sirdars of the Namdang Tea Co., Ltd., are not supervised here by this Association.

2. It is understood that the Company maintains their own Local Agent in Ranchi.

I have the honour to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

. S. J. Maulle 16/6/22 Local Agent,

T. D. L. A.,

Ranchi.

My dear Motturas Than again written to the Chief See. and for a more sympatreki reply. I am to have a falls with the De Commissioner. The result will be amounted in D. Pal. Marbardha. Stran when the dawin ? Kaliyan. Jam soring ar furlough So cand see this Unough personally: but will by Rean Some rods open. Than resigned any place on ado Board - + Par R fee may for proper his Lutter. Church during the coming year. yrsinauf Ranchi 2014. Ett witley

WRITING SPACE 7 Mr Petu Hurad formidpore P.O. Janiagarh Did Ranchi

My dear mr Hurad Sanika Topus brought me a letter from you : but Than unfortunately lost it -Than already made enquirin about his Care from Karadii, o cant gal any Ming decides. Jam going to send his claim in again. 11000 Ps of Chappoinis money has now been recalled to D'uni , as unclaimed. I asked a question in Comial, I all the help I got was the assurance that fool would serbuil the claims, if I made a complete list. How can I do that? It is absurd to suppose with scores of people without names or hoto Janu ut at all pleased with apatting of foremunent about this.

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I. A. F. Z2011. P.-Corps, G.- Depls. Memorandum. FR. The Chief auditor To the E. H. Whilly Me la Per acets Village Berlin Bardile No offe /371 Station Dadar Carra 3/6/95. with reference to your applicasition 9 Let 28 for arrights of pay of Sanika ho 4944 11 Le; There the honour to inform. you that man's acets have been July Letted by Calculta Defit Holocharjedon 16/5/21 the is one nothing from the Gesterich. on Dingly forthing and the

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### THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY G.E.L.CHURCH, CHOTA NACPUR & ASSAM.

Govindpur.

P.O. Jariagarh.

14 June 1922.

The Agent, Tea District Labour Assn. Ranchi Agency, RANCHI.

Dear Sir,

I beg to inform you that two married young women as noted in the margin were recruited and sent to Assam last year or so, by

 Pyari Topono daughter of John Topono.
 Village Bamhni.
 P.S. Bassia, Dist. Ranchi.

2. Mukta Barla daughter of Yusaph Barla. Village Kura. P.S. Lapung, Ranchi.

sirdars without the knowledge of their husbands or guardians. A letter from one of these to her mother has given trace of them.

As both these young women are married it is not desirable to keep them away.

I do therefore request that you will knd kindly see that arrangements are made to bring them back and make over

to their proper guardians.

Their address in Assam is- Namdag Tea Estate, Marghareta D.S.R. Dist. Dibrugarh, Upper Assam.

Yours faithfully,

Secretary,

G.E.L. Church, Chota Nagpur & Assam.

P.O. Jariagarh. 13 April 1922.

The Rev. F.H. Whitley, B.A. S.P.G. Mission Compound. RANCHI.

Dear Sir,

Thank you for your note re Sanika Topono of the Labour Corps. You said you have the assurance of Govt. that they would submit the claims if you made a complete list. That's all right. Do you wish that we do announce this in our Panches and chapels and thus help you in getting your list complete. It would really be a pity to lose & 11000/- of the Chota Nagpuris money as unclaimed.

People every now and then come to me and trouble me about these Labour Corps matters. A Khristkalyan Horo enetered in Discharge Certificate as Kalia bearing No. 5036 who served for lyear 10 months says he advised paying % 10/- to his father Mika Horo, Village Barzu, Thana Torpa. His father received % 10/- only one month and the rest amounting to % 210/- is still due to them. Of course in the Discharge Certificate it is enetered that he has received a full and true account of all his pay, arrears of pay &c, but it appears that his parents were not actually paid as he desired the officers to do for him. Can we do anything for him. Will you please send in his claim along with the others and favour me with a line or two and greatly oblige.

With kindest regards,

Sanika Ispono 90 Kaila Ispono P.S. Karra
Village Burhui Bartoli.
Receius As 170, period perved 142. 10 months @ 18/1.n.

no: 4946 - On Card. 4944.

Received an follows:
15% at mosal

20% " Imamali:

10% " Hadra

20% " Salisba

5% " Mosal

10% " Mando by Du Calculta.

10% Sent & his home.

16% Dy Comm, Rauch.