APPENDIX-B

KAOOL NAMAH or COUNTER-ENGAGEMENT given on behalf of the GOVERNMENT to JONARDUN BHUNJ, RAJAH of KILLAH KEONJHAR, 16th December and delivered to PERSADEE DOSS, VAKEEL.

We, Lieutenant Colonel George Harcourt, Commanding the victorious troops of the Honorable East India Company, and Commissioner of the Soobah of Orissa, and John Melivlle, Commissioner of the Soobah of Orissa, and John Melville, Commissioner of the same, appointed by the mOst Noble tie Marquis of Wellesley, Governor-General, for the settlement and pacification of the said Soobah, do, on behalf of the East India Company, execute this acknowledgement, as set forth in the following paras, to Rajah Jonardun Bhunj of Killah Keonjhar, in the said Soobah of Orissa.

Clause-I We agree that the whole of the lands, whether called Mogulbundi or by any other name, which were in the possession and enjoyment of the said Rajah of Keonjhar, during the time of the Mahratta Sovereignty, shall belong in perpetuity to the said Rajah of Keonjhar, and further, we agree that besides the peshkus (or tribute) hereinafter specified, no demands shall be made or levied from him.

Clause-2 The annual peshkus (or tribute) payable for the Rajgee of the said Killah, is fixed in perpetuity at 12,000 kahuns of Cowrees and no further payment, however trifling,

whether as Nuzzur or supplies, or under whatsoever name, shall be demanded or taken from the said Rajah.

Clause-3 Any just representation made by the Rajah of the said Killah shall receive, on the part of the Honorable Company's Government, an answer in accord with the amity subsisting with the said Rajah.

(Signed) G. HARCOURT, LIEUT-Col.

" J. MELVILLE.

(A true translation)

WM. L. LACEY,

Oorioh Translator to Government

APPENDIX - C

SANAD granted to the CHIEF OF KEUNJHAR defining his status, powers, and position with reference to the BRITISH GOVERNMENT, 1894

WHEREAS the status and position with reference to the British Government of the Tributary Mahal of Keunjhar in Orissa has hitherto been undefined, and doubts have from time to time arisen with regard thereto; His Excellency the Viceroy and Governor-General in Council is pleased to grant to you, Maharaja Dhunurjoy Narain Bhunj Deo, the following Sanad, with a view to assuring you that the British Government will continue, as long as you remain loyal to the Crown and abide

3 Aitchison's Collection, Volume I. No. CIX, P.327.
by the conditions of the sanad, and of your other engagements with the British Government, to maintain you in the position and privileges which you have heretofore enjoyed or which are now conferred upon you:—

SANAD

I- You Maharaja Dhunurjoy Narain Bhunj Deo, son of Maharaja Gadadhar Narain Bhunj are hereby formally recognised as the Feudatory Chief of the Keunjhar State, and you are permitted as heretofore, to generally administer the territory of the said Keunjhar State, subject to the conditions hereinafter prescribed. In like manner your heirs and successors shall become entitled to your privileges, and liable to your obligations; provided that no succession shall be valid until it has been recognised by His Excellency the Viceroy and the Governor-General in Council.

II- You shall continue to pay the tribute or peshkash of Rupees One thousand seven hundred and ten, anna one and pies three per annum, which you and your predecessors have heretofore paid:—

III- You shall try in your Courts all criminal cases occurring in your territory, except (1) those in which Europeans are concerned, and (II) heinous offences, such as murder, homicide, dakaiti, robbery, and torture. You shall refer the cases excepted above for disposal to the Superintendent of the
Tributary Mahals or to such of his Assistants as he may indicate. Sentences passed by you on criminal offenders shall be regulated by the instructions issued from time to time for your guidance by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal, and shall not exceed [unless His Honour is pleased to entrust you with more extensive powers, in which case you shall be entitled to exercise such further powers, in the manner, to the extent, and subject to the conditions, if any, which His Honour may prescribe] in case of imprisonment, a term of two years, in the case of fines, a sum of one thousand rupees, and in the case of whipping, thirty stripes. All orders [passed by you in criminal cases shall be subject to revision by the Superintendent, to whom you shall send the records of any case for which he may call.

IV- You shall deliver up any offender from British or other territory, who may take refuge in your State. You shall aid British officers who may pursue criminals into your territory, and, in the event of offenders from your own state taking refuge in British or other territory, you shall make a representation on the matter to the authorities concerned.

V- You shall administer justice fairly, and impartially to all alike.
VI- You shall recognise and maintain the rights of all your people, and you shall on no account oppress them or suffer them to be in any way oppressed.

VII- You shall levy no transit duties on grain, merchandise or any article of commerce passing through your State.

VIII- You shall consult the Superintendent of the Tributary Mahals in all important matters of administration, and comply with his wishes. The settlement and collection of the land-revenue, the imposition of taxes, the administration of justice, arrangements connected with excise, salt and opium, the concession of mining, forest and other rights, disputes arising out of any such concession, and disputes in which other States are concerned, shall be regarded as specially important matters, and in respect to them you shall at all times conform to such advice as the Superintendent of the Tributary Mahals may give you.

IX- The right to catch elephants in your State is granted to you as a personal concession and as a matter of favour, but this concession is liable to withdrawal whenever it may seem desirable either on account of abuse or for other reasons, and it will not necessarily be granted to your successor.

X- All questions as to boundaries between your State and British territory will be dealt with by the Superintendent of the Tributary Mahals or such other officer as His Honour
Lieutenant-Governor of Bengal may appoint either generally or specially, in that behalf, with two assessors, one to be appointed by yourself and the other by His Honour the Lieutenant-Governor, unless in any such case you should prefer that the question should prefer that the question be decided by such Superintendent, or other officer alone in which case the question shall be referred for his decision accordingly.

SIMLA,
The 27th October 1894.

(Sd.) ELGIN,