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Name of }  
Brother }

Initiated.....19.....

Passed.....19.....

Raised .....19.....

Grand Lodge Certificate No.....

Date.....

Date of Presentation of  
Grand Lodge Certificate.....19.....

A BRIEF OUTLINE OF THE  
HISTORY OF LODGE  
"BURROUGHS STRANGE"  
No-3565 E. C.

A few members of the craft of the  
Constitutions at and in the vicinity of Vijay  
having felt the want of a masonic Lodge,  
enquiries in March 1910, as to how  
brethren would join in founding a Lodge  
the ready and encouraging response from  
and far, from so distant towns as Be  
Madras, Waltair and Masulipatnam, deter  
to launch a Lodge under the English Consti  
Although at the outset there appeared  
difficulties, there were many subsequ  
but the unflagging energy and Masoni  
of the few brethren overcame them all,  
petition of 25 brethren was submitted to  
Grand Lodge through the District Grand L  
Madras, on the 15th September 1911,  
recommended by Lodge 'John Miller' 190  
and Lodge 'Carnatic' 2031 E.C.

On the 15th November the glad tidings of the prayer having been granted were received and the Warrant arrived on the 25th idem, but in the meantime another difficulty about the building had arisen which threatened the Constitution of the Lodge to be deferred to many months, but happily it was also quickly solved in a most satisfactory manner, and the Consecration and Constitution of the Lodge took place on the 27th of January 1912.

During the cyclone of 1925 the original Warrant was damaged and defaced and a Warrant of confirmation was issued on the 5th May 1926.

From 1920 the Lodge was located in its own building constructed at a cost of Rs.15000 by funds raised by donations and debentures on a site of about 1000 sq. yds which was a free gift of late Brother KOWTA POORNANANDAM for which the Lodge expressed its thanks by a resolution dated 19th October 1918 and extensions of constructions were made on a site of about 500 sq. yds which was a free gift of his son, Wor. Bro. KOWTA

SUBBA RAO and for which the Lodge expressed its thanks by a resolution dated 25th August 1928. Subsequently a site of 1200 sq. abjoinning to the south of the said sites purchased from the Lodge funds and on which a Guest House called „KIRLAMPUDI GUEST HOUSE” was constructed with donation of Wor. Bro. Rajah Rama Krishna Ranga Bahadur, Zamindar of Kirlampudi at a cost of Rs. 16000/- out of which Rs. 12000/- was paid by him and Rs. 4000/- was raised by debentures. The Kirlampudi Guest House was opened by Wor. Bro. T. Prabhakara Rao N. I. A. S., on 19th March 1949.

Thus was the Lodge Burroughs Strange blessed with every prospect of successive future before it.

May T. G. A. O. T. U. guide and protect it in all its undertakings.



### FOUNDERS.

1. Wor. Bro. T. Chance.
2. Bro. M. L. Massey.
3. Wor. Bro. J. M. Anislie.
4. Wor. Bro. Strode Wilson.
5. Bro. F. Byremashaw Tarapurwala.
6. " N. E. Krishnamachary.
7. " J. B. Lutman.
8. " V. S. Gnanaprakasam.
9. " A. Burroughs Strange.
10. Wor. Bro. B. Mopurappa.
11. " J. Harris.
12. " J. D. Samuel.
13. Wor. Bro. R. G. Bamford.
14. " D. V. Narasinga Rao.
15. " V. A. Tarapurwala.
16. " S. F. Baroocha.
17. Wor. Bro. P. J. Christopher.
18. " F. I. Walters.
19. Wor. Bro. J. A. Gunn.
20. " E. V. Walters.
21. " J. E. Street.
22. " G. E. Farlowe.
23. " R. Grain.
24. " J. Fisher.
25. " N. Rajagopalam.

### PREAMBLE.

As it is essentially necessary to the v being and good Government of every institut that the members of it should be bound certain laws, we the Master, Officers a Members of Lodge Vijayawada No. 87 on register of the Grand Lodge of India, in or to preserve that harmony and brotherly feelin which should ever distinguish Freemasc have established and subscribed to the follow By-Laws.

These By-Laws have been brought up- date with the necessary amendments and alte tions in consonance with the Constitutions the Grade Lodge of India.

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of

### Lodge VIJAYAWADA No. 87 VIJAYAWADA

1. **Days of Meeting :** The regular meeting of the Lodge shall be held at the Freemason's Hall, Vijayawada, on the last Saturday but one in every month, at such an hour as may be fixed by the Master.

The Secretary shall issue summons in proper form to each member at least 10 days before the meeting. The Secretary shall also issue summons for emergency meetings specifying the date and hour of meetings with at least 7 days notice.

2. The Master, the Treasurer shall be elected and the Tyler chosen at the regular

meeting in December. The Master Elect be installed at the next regular meeting in January.

### 3. M E M B E R S.

Members shall comprise :

- (a) **Resident :** Those members reside within the limits of Vijayawada Corporation and all office bearers.
- (b) **Non Resident :** Those members who reside beyond a radius of 8 meter of Vijayawada if they choose to be so.
- (c) **Honorary :** This lodge may, if it thinks fit, acknowledge the services of a Brother for services rendered to Masonry in general, or to Lodges in particular, and may elect him as an honorary member thereof, according to Rule No. 10 of the Book of Constitutions.

### 4. SUBSCRIPTIONS - ANNUAL.

Resident Member	Rs. <del>150-00</del> 300-00
Non Resident Member	Rs. <del>100-00</del> 200-00

5. The following scale of fees shall be paid :

Initiation	Rs. 250/- ?
Joining & Rejoining	Rs. 30/-

6. Where an emergency meeting is held for the sole purpose of conferring a degree at the request and for the convenience of a Candidate or Candidates, the lodge may require from such a Candidate or Candidates a total sum of not exceeding Rs. 60/- towards the expenses of the meeting.

7. A member allowing his subscription to remain unpaid for six months will be liable to be excluded in accordance with rule 124 of the Book of Constitutions.

8. In the event of rejection of an application for Initiation or Joining or Rejoining, no further application shall be received until the expiration of six months and any fees previously paid shall be returned promptly.

9. The Master may for the purpose being assured that no mistake has been made in the voting, cause a second ballot to be forthwith taken which shall be final.

### COMMITTEES.

10. The Permanent Committee shall consist of the Master, Wardens, Secretary, treasurer, past Masters, and another member duly elected by the Lodge each year at regular meeting in January.

Three members shall form the Quorum. It shall be the duty of this Committee to present the Lodge Jewels and Furniture, to value the Lodge Property, to inspect the books of the Secretary, to consider and report to the Lodge on applications for initiation or joining and report after inquiry on any matter referred to them by the Lodge and to submit an annual report at the installation meeting on the condition, prospects etc., of the Lodge.

2. It shall be the duty of the Permanent Committee to consider and report to the Lodge



on all applications for relief from the benevolent funds and all proposals for utilising sums from this fund.

(3) The Permanent Committee shall also prepare the schemes, plans and estimates for the maintenance, improvement and extensions of the Lodge Buildings and premises and its furniture etc.

### **AUDIT COMMITTEE**

11. The Audit Committee shall consist of two members elected annually at the regular meeting in December. It shall be the duty of the Audit Committee to audit the accounts prepared by the treasurer upto 4th January and submit a report by the first week of January every year.

### **DUTIES OF OFFICERS.**

12. The secretary shall receive from the treasurer a sum of Rs. 50/- for contingent expenses and when this amount is spent shall furnish the account to the Treasurer who shall recoup the amount spent. He shall lay before the Lodge at each installation meeting, a report reviewing the

progress of the Lodge during the year. The Secretary shall not be required to pay subscription during his tenure of that office.

13. Treasurer shall receive all monies due to or held for the Lodge and deposit the same without delay, in an account in the name of the Lodge at a Bank to be approved by resolution of the Lodge and shall make such payments as are duly authorised, or have been sanctioned by the Lodge. All payments shall be made by means of Cheques and the treasurer shall generally conform with the requirements of Part 129, Book of Constitutions.

14. The Tyler, if a serving Brother, shall be paid a fee of such amount per meeting. The Tyler shall from time to time determine the fee.

The Tyler shall have charge of all property and regalia of the Lodge.

### **GENERAL.**

15. These By-Laws shall not be abrogated, amended or altered except by a proposition made and carried by a two-thirds majority of the members present at a regular meeting.



and seconded at one regular meeting and approved of at the next regular meeting by a majority of the members present nor can any alteration take effect till formally approved by the Regional Grand Master and the Most Worshipful Grand Master.

16. A copy of the By-Laws shall be presented to every condidate on his Initiation and to every Joining Brother.

I. Janakiramaiah	W	M
I. Venkateswerloo	S	W
R. D Shaw	J	W
S. A. K. Jeelany	Secretar	
I V S S Murty	Asst. Secry.	

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**VIJAYAWADA - 21st Jan 84.**

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