

19. Letter from Prince Priest Jinawarawansa in Gaya to W. C. Peppé in Birdpore, dated 27 June 1898

Has received Peppé's letter of 15th which has followed during his 'tour of Rajgir etc.' arranged by the magistrate of Gaya and local zamindars. Asks if Peppé received the decision of Govt. 'regarding the disposal of the relics'? Asks Peppé to direct his reply to the care of the magistrate of Gaya.

Gaya
27th June 1898

My dear Mr Peppé

I was very glad indeed to receive your kind letter of the 15th inst., which had been following me about till today while I was away on my tour of Rajgir etc, which had been kindly arranged for me by the magistrate of Gaya and the zamindars of the different places on the route.

I have been wondering sometime past why you had not replied to my letter, but I supposed that you have been very busy as I have seen that you always are, and I settle down to wait patiently.

I suppose by this time you have received the decision of the Govern. regarding the disposal of the relics?

If you will direct your letter to the care of the magistrate of Gaya, it will always reach me safely.

Hoping you are all well & with very kind regards.

Yours very truly

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