

P R E F A C E

The Ichalkaranji jagir, under the enlightened jagirdar, Narayanrao Babasaheb Ghorpade, entered into a new phase. He introduced reforms in educational social, economic and constitutional matters. Narayanrao Babasaheb Ghorpade made efforts for the allsided development of his jagir. In thg dissertation an attempt has been made to study the reforms of Babasaheb Ghorpade in Ichalkaranji.

For the study of this topic, it was quite necessary to use original sources from the Kolhapur Archives. Some unpublished letters in addition to published articles and books have been used in preparing the dissertation. Some of the unpublished and published letters and documents have been enclosed the dissertation in the appendix of the dissertation.

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