

**Order under the seal of Mirza Muhammad Khair  
Sultan Bahadur, son of Muhammad Bahadur Shah,  
King, Defender of the Faith, dated 11th August  
1857**

To—The Officers, Subadars, Chiefs and others of the  
whole Military Force coming from the Bombay  
Presidency.

To the effect, that the statement which some person has  
made to you, of the defeat of the Royal Troops at Delhi, is  
altogether a false and lying fabrication, contrived by the

contemptible infidel, namely, the English. The true story is, that nearly eighty or ninety thousand regular organized Military Troops are now present here, nearly ten or fifteen thousand Regular and other Cavalry. These troops are constantly engaged, night and day, in attacks upon the infidels, and have driven back their batteries from the ridge. In three or four days hence, please God, the whole ridge will be taken when every one of the base unbelievers will be humbled and ruined, and will be sent to hell. You are therefore directed immediately on seeing this order, to use every endeavour speedily to reach the Royal presence, so that joining the army of the faithful, you may give proofs of your zeal, and may establish your claims to renown. Consider this imperative.

**Order from Mirza Khair Sultan to the Bombay Army,  
dated 11th August 1857**

GIVING assurance that the report of the defeat of the Royal Army is a lying invention of the English, who will themselves be exterminated in three or four days.