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From Kuching I went to Seria camp, about seven miles from Kuala Balat. In Seria camp we were not given enough food and about 27 men died of diseases and starvation. I was beaten with sticks and leather belts.

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Many times the Japs asked us to join them against the British, but we refused. Indian officials were taken away from us to other camps. When we refused to join against the British, the Japs reduced our rations and made us work harder, and we were beaten whilst we worked.

Fte Atada was one Jap soldier who beat me. He was still at Kuala Balat when I got away from there last June.

On 16 June this year the Japs put on a midnight roll call. At that time I and another man were hiding in a trench near the camp. It was dark. I heard cries when the Japanese were beheading the Indians in the camp. In the morning I went back and saw the hands of all the men were tied, and they had been beheaded. There probably were 70 men there. The man who got away with me is Taj Mohd + he is now in Australia.

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