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Government of Madras.

Financial DEPARTMENT.

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Read the following papers:—

No. 241. From A. C. LYALL, Esq., Secretary to the Government of India, Home Department (Public), to the Hon. D. F. CARMICHAEL, Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Fort William, 7th October 1874, No. 2526.

As it would seem from the correspondence ending with the letter from the Financial Department to the address of the Government of Madras, No. 5462, dated the 9th ultimo, regarding the destruction of poisonous snakes, that the meaning of the Resolution* of September 1871 may possibly have been misunderstood, I am directed to point out that the Resolution conveyed no intention to give a grant from Imperial Funds to meet the expense for killing poisonous snakes. All that was intended was to withdraw a previous prohibition and to indicate a mode of trying the experiment which appeared most conducive to success. The experiment was ordered to be carried out in selected districts in order that it might be tried under favorable circumstances, and by selected officers who took an interest in it, and it was clearly laid down that rewards for the destruction of dangerous animals were to be paid within Budget limits.

* Home Department Resolution, No. 4202, dated 11th September 1871.

No. 242. From E. F. HARRISON, Esq., Officiating Secretary to the Government of India, Financial Department, to the Hon. D. F. CARMICHAEL, Acting Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Fort William, 9th September 1874, No. 5462.

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your communications noted in the margin respecting a claim, on behalf of the Provincial Services of the Madras Presidency, for an allotment of Rupees 2,43,200-14-10, as follows, for meeting the expense of rewards paid in 1872-73 and 1873-74 for killing venomous snakes, *viz.*:—

Letter, No. 255, dated 13th February 1874, and enclosures.
Letter, No. 925, dated 29th May 1874, and enclosures.
Letter, No. 1195, dated 18th July 1874.
Telegram, dated 27th August 1874.

	1872-73.			1873-74.		
	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
Nellore	1,27,389	15	0	73,855	9	0
Chingleput	22,428	12	6	13,150	1	0
Other districts	5,622	9	4	754	0	0
Total ...	1,55,441	4	10	87,759	10	0

This expenditure was for killing venomous snakes only, while the rewards for killing snakes and wild animals amounted in the five years from 1861-62 to 1865-66 to only £7,222 and in the four years from 1866-67 to 1869-70 to £13,471. At 2 Annas a-head the rewards paid in the Nellore District represent a destruction of 1,019,120 venomous snakes in 1872-73 and of 590,844 in 1873-74, or in all 1,609,964 venomous snakes killed in one district, whether in the forests or near human habitation is not stated.

2. When the prohibition against the grant of rewards for the destruction of venomous snakes was withdrawn by the Government of India in 1871 it was stated that such rewards might be experimentally given, at the discretion of local Governments, only to a limited extent. The object in thus limiting the scale of experiment was to restrict the expenditure within defined limits.

3. The cost of these experiments is clearly a charge against the Provincial revenues and should be adjusted accordingly. As, however, the Government of Madras expected help from the Government of India, His Excellency the Governor-General in Council is pleased to sanction a special grant of Rupees 50,000 in aid of the Madras Provincial revenues for the year 1874-75 to meet what would have been a fair expenditure in the two years on the experiment as it was intended to be tried.

4. I am also to state that these experiments should in future be carried out at the cost of Provincial Funds.

Copy forwarded to the Home Department for information, and to the Comptroller-General and the Accountant-General, Bombay, for information and guidance.

(Signed) E. F. HARRISON,
Offg. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 243. ORDER THEREON, 28th October 1874, No. 1837.

Resolved that the following letter be addressed to the Government of India.

2. The Revenue Department will be requested not to sanction any expenditure in future either for "killing venomous snakes" or for killing "wild animals" without ascertaining from the Financial Department whether funds for the purpose can be assigned from the grant* transferred by the Government of India from Imperial Revenues to Provincial Services.

* Rupees 24,780.

3. The Collector of Nellore will be called upon to specify the localities in which the venomous snakes were killed in that district during the years 1872-73 and 1873-74.

(True Extract.)

Acting Chief Secretary.

To the Revenue Department.
,, Accountant-General.
,, Collector of Nellore.

Exd. A. S. Rodgers.

Govt. of {1874} Madras.

FINANCIAL.

To

THE REVENUE DEPARTMENT,
&c., &c., &c.

Dated October, 28th.

Recd. Encl.

G.O., 28th October 1874, No. 1837.

OCTOBER.
Nos. 241—244.

Allotment for killing Venomous Snakes.—Instructions issued to the Revenue Department regarding future expenditure for killing venomous snakes and wild animals, and the Collector of Nellore directed to specify the localities in which the venomous snakes were killed in that district during the years 1872-73 and 1873-74.

which the Provincial
assignment was
made / while there
is not any formally
given for Wild
beasts & snakes
& what is paid
for the former also

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L. B. Shiri

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From

A. C. Lyall
Secy to the Govt of India

To

The Secy to the Govt of Madras.

Fort William the 4th October 1874.

Home Dept
Public.

Sir

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x Home Dept Resolution No 4202 dated 11th Septr 1871

most conducive to success. The experiment was ordered to be carried out in selected districts in order that it might be tried under favorable circumstances, and by selected officers who took an interest in it. And it was clearly laid down that rewards for the destruction of dangerous animals were to be paid within Budget limits.

I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most obd.t Servant
A Chirgall
Secretary to the Govt of India.

No. 5462.

To

The Chief Secretary to the
Government of Madras

Financial Deptt

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Chingleput	22,428-12-6	13,150-1-0
Other Districts	5,622-9-4	754-0-0
	1,55,441-4-10	87,759-10-6

This expenditure was for killing venomous snakes only, while the rewards for killing snakes and wild animals

amounted

From the Collr Nellore
To the Secretary to Govt
Madras Revenue Department
Dated 7th October 1874
Rec'd 14th do
No. 2516.

Nos. 1037. 1038

No. 2440.

Forwards list of persons granted by the Collector Division Court under Act X of 1865 for the destruction of venomous snakes

amounted in the five years from 1861-2 to 1865-6 to only £7,222 and in the four years from 1866-67 to 1869-70 to £13,471.

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I have the honor to be
Sir
Your most Obed.t Serv.t

Fort William
The 9 Sept.r 1874

Sd. H. Stevenson
Offg: Secy: to the Govt of India

J.S.N.R.
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Copy forwarded to the Home Department for information, and to the Comptroller & General and the Accountant General, Bombay for information and guidance.—

Financial Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

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Order thereon of Octr 28th Oct 1874 No 1837.

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3. The Collectors of Nellore will be called upon to specify the localities in which

Snake Rewards are stopped altogether

Rs 24,780.

Financial (1874) Proceedings Home Department Financial Branch

Dated 9th Sept 1874 Read 16th Sept 1874 No 5462.

Rs 1905

Rewards for killing venomous snakes and wild animals in the Provincial Service of the Madras Presidency for an allotment of Rs 2,43,600-4-10 for meeting the expenditure of Rewards paid in 1873-74 & 1874-75 for killing venomous snakes and wild animals

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were killed in that Dis-
-trict during the years
1872-73 and 1873-74.

The Revenue Department
— Accountant General
— " . Collectors of Kolhapur

Govt. of {1874} Madras.

Financial

To

The Revenue Departt.

Sea.

Dated Oct. 28 } 1874, No.
Recd. } 1837.

Nos. 241. 244.

Allotment for killing Venomous Snakes.

Instructions issued to the Rev. Dept. regarding future Expenditure for killing venomous Snakes & wild animals, & the Collr. of Salem directed to specify the localities in which the Venomous Snakes were killed in that Dt. during the years 1872-73 & 1873-74.

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