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Municipal—Assessment.

No. 88. Read the following letter from G. D. LEMAN, Esq., Acting Collector of Madras, to the Hon. D. F. CARMICHAEL, Officiating Chief Secretary to Government, Fort St. George, dated Madras, 4th August 1875, No. 236:—

I have the honor to request the sanction of Government for payment to the Madras Municipality of a sum of Rupees 8,361, being the amount due to them on account of municipal assessment on the Salt Kotaur grounds for the years 1873, 1874, and 1875.

2. Up to 1872 the municipal valuation of the Salt Kotaur premises was Rupees 1,320 and the assessment charged was 99 Rupees, being 7½ per cent. on the annual value. This amount was paid without objection. In 1873, however, the Municipality raised the assessment to Rupees 4,332-9-7, or at the rate of 7 Rupees per ground, on all the tract used by Government for storing salt. Mr. Hunter-Blair objected to this assessment, which was, however, repeated for 1874 and 1875 also. The President has now consented to an assessment of Rs. 2,787 per annum, made up as shown marginally. I think this valuation cannot be objected to, and therefore the amount should be paid at once. The total amount payable for three years including the current comes to Rupees 8,361, of which 99 Rupees have been already deposited with the Municipality. I am not able to meet the remainder out of the Budget grant for the current year. There is still an unexpended balance of Rupees 315-13-5 out of the sanctioned grant, from which Rupees 90 will have to be paid on account of the timber depôt in the 5th Division, leaving only a sum of Rupees 225-13-5 available for present payment. I beg, therefore, to request that you will authorize the Accountant-General to pay me the sum of Rupees 8,036-2-7, or Rupees 8,037 in round numbers, that I may pay off the demand of the Municipality.

	Rs.
Seven-and-a-half per cent. on Rs. 1,320, value of buildings	99
Rate on twenty-eight cawnies of open ground on which salt is heaped, at 4 Rupees per ground (*vide* Section 69 of Act IX. of 1867)	2,688
Total ...	2,787

Vide my letter, No. 235, dated 4th August 1875.

From G. D. LEMAN, Esq., Acting Collector of Madras, to L. R. BURROWS, Esq., Acting President of the Municipal Commission, Madras, dated Madras, 21st July 1875, No. 486.

With reference to your letter, No. 482, of the 19th instant, I have the honor to observe that the annual value of the twenty-eight cawnies of land used by Government for the deposit of salt, as fixed by your Assessor, is, in my opinion, very excessive. The land is situated in an out-of-the-way spot, being near Cochrane's Canal, and the badness of the soil and brackishness of the water preclude any chance of a rent of Rupees 7 per ground being realized from it. I think you will agree with me, especially as it is to be noted further that the Chepauk buildings and grounds around, which are of greater extent, are valued at a far smaller total than this place.

2. In my opinion, the most correct way of assessing the Salt Kotaur lands will be to charge 7½ per cent. on Rupees 1,320, the value of the buildings on the land, and a tax of 4 Rupees per ground on the twenty-eight cawnies of land where salt is heaped, in accordance with the alternative allowed in Section 69 of the Municipal Act. This will make the total assessment Rupees 2,787, as shown in the margin.

	Rs.
Seven-and-a-half per cent. on Rupees 1,320	99
Tax, at 4 Rupees per ground, on 672 grounds ...	2,688
Total ...	2,787

3. If you do not agree to this I propose to refer the question to the Advocate-General with reference to paragraph 2 of G.O., dated 30th March 1874, No. 522, Financial Department.

No. 89. ORDER THEREON, 15th November 1875, No. 2207.

The Governor in Council sanctions payment of the sum of Rupees 8,037 on account of municipal assessment on the Salt Kotaur grounds for the years 1873, 1874, and 1875.

2. His Excellency in Council is, however, of opinion that the rate of Rupees 4 per ground is high, and that it should be reduced from this year to Rupees 3, which rate, considering what is paid for land in the neighbourhood, seems to be equitable.

(True Extract.)

Officiating Chief Secretary.

To the Accountant-General.
,, Collector of Madras.
,, Acting President of the Municipal Commission, Madras.

Exd. A. S. Rodgers.

Govt. of {1875} Madras.

FINANCIAL.

To

THE ACCOUNTANT-GENERAL, &c., &c.,

Dated November, 15th.

Issued

Recd. *Encl.* &c.

G.O., 15th November 1875, No. 2207.

NOVEMBER.
Nos. 88-89.

Municipal—Assessment.—Payment of Rs. 8,361 to the Madras Municipality on account of assessment on the Salt Kotah grounds for the years 1873, 1874, and 1875, sanctioned; but opinion expressed that the rate of assessment should be reduced from this year.

No 236

Madras Collector's Office
4th August 1875.

From G. D. Lemon, Esqr.,
Ag. Collector of Madras.

To
The Honorable D. F. Carmichael,
Officiating Chief Secretary to
Government,
Financial Department,
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Sir,

I have the honor to request the sanction of Government for payment to the Madras Municipality of a sum of Rupees 8,361 being the amount due to them on account of Municipal Assessment on the Salt Kotaw grounds for the years 1873, 1874, and 1875.

2. Up to 1872 the Municipal valuation of the Salt Kotaw premises was Rs 1,320, and the Assessment

assessment charged was 99 Rs. being 7½ per Cent on the Annual Value. This Amount was paid without objection. In 1873 however the Municipality raised the assessment to Rupees 4,332-9-7 or at the rate of 7 Rs. per ground on all the tract used by Government for storing Salt. Mr Arnold Blair objected to this assessment which was however repeated for 1874 and 1875 also.

The President has now consented to an assessment of Rs 2,787 per Annum made up as shewn marginally. I think this valuation cannot be objected to, And therefore the Amount should be paid at once. The total Amount payable for three years including the current comes to Rs 8,361, of which 99 Rs have been already deposited with the Municipality. I am not

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7½ per Cent on Rs 1320 Value of Buildings Rs 99.
Rate in 28 Acres of open ground which Salt is stored, at 2 Rs per ground. Vide section 69 of Act 9 of 1865. 2688

Total 2787.

able to meet the remainder out of the Budget grant for the Current year. There is still an unexpended balance of Rs 315-13-5 out of the sanctioned grant, from which Rs 90 will have to be paid on account of the Timber Depôt in the 5th Division,

Vide my letter No 235 dated 4th August 1875.

leaving only a Sum of Rs 225-13-5 available for present payment I beg therefore to request that you will Authorize the Accountant General to pay me the Sum of Rs 8,036-2-7 or Rs 8,037 in round numbers, that I may pay off the demand of the Municipality.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Most Obedient Servant

Ag Collector of Madras

Madras Collectors Office
21st July 1875.

No 486

From

The Ag. Collector of
Madras

To

The President of the
Madras Municipal
Commission

Sir,

With reference to your letter No 482 of the 19th Instant, I have the honor to observe that the annual value of the 28 cawnies of land used by Govt for the deposit of salt as fixed by your Assessor, is in my opinion very excessive. The land is situated in an out of the way spot, being near Cochrane's Canal, and the badness of the soil and brackishness of the water, preclude any chance of a rent of Rs 7 per pound being realized from it. I think you will agree with

with me especially as it is to be noted further that the Chepauk Buildings and grounds around which are of greater extent, are valued at a far smaller total than this place.

2. In my opinion the most correct way of Assessing the Salt Colaur lands will be to charge 7½ per cent on Rs 1,320 the value of the buildings on the land, and a tax of 4 Rs per ground on the 28 cairnies of land where salt is heaped, in accordance with the alternative allowed in Section 69 of the Municipal Act This will make the total Assessment Rs 2787 as shown in the margin.

3. If you do not agree to this, I propose to refer the question to the Advocate General, with reference to para 2 of Government Order dated 30th March 1874. No 522. P.D.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obedient Servant
(Sd) G. D. Leman.
Ag. Collector of Madras.

Rs
7½ per cent on 1,320 — 99.
Tax at 4 Rs per ground for 672 grounds — 2688
Total 2787

Municipal. Appeals

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Financial Department.

PROCEEDINGS of the MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter from the Collector of Madras dated 4th August 1875 No 236.

Order thereon 15th Novr 1875 No 2207.

The Governor in Council sanctions payment of the sum of Rupees 8,037 on account of Municipal assessment on the Salt Kolam grounds for the years 1873-1874 & 1875-

2. His Excellency in Council is however of

of opinion that the rate of Rupees 4 per ground is high, and that it should be reduced from this year to Rupees 3, which, considering rate, what is paid for land in the neighbourhood, seems to be — equitable.

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To
The Acctt Jt
— Collector of Madras
— President Madras
Municpl Commrs

Dr. 0/11/75

Govt. of {1875} Madras.

To

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Dated 15-6 } No 1875, No. 2207

Nos. 88—89

Municipal Assessment

Payment of Rs 8,037 on account of assessment on the Salt lotaus grounds for the years 1873-1874 & 1875, Save Rimed but a principle expressed that the rate of assessment should be reduced from this year.