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Recording proceedings, Rev. Dept., Comm. to the Board of Rev. despatch from the Secy. of State sanctioning the revision of village establishments in the Tanjore St. at an increased cost of Rs 275,520 per annum, with effect from the 1st July '98.

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Revision of village establishments.

Communicating to the Board of Revenue Despatch from the Secretary of State sanctioning the — in the Tanjore district at an increased cost of Rs. 2,75,520 per annum with effect from the 1st July 1899.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

READ—again G.O., No. 125, Revenue, dated 18th February 1899.

ABSTRACT.—Passing orders on the scheme for the revision of village establishments in the Tanjore district.

READ—again G.O., No. 2513, Revenue, dated 10th July 1899.

ABSTRACT.—Recording letter from the Government of India stating that the proposals for the revision of village establishments in the Tanjore district have been referred to the Secretary of State for India for orders.

READ—also the following endorsement of the Government of India, Department of Revenue and Agriculture, dated Simla, 24th August 1899, No. 1956-94-6:—

Read—the following endorsement of the Government of India, Finance and Commerce Department, dated Simla, 21st August 1899, No. 3882-Ed.

Read—the following Despatch from Her Majesty's Secretary of State for India, dated 27th July 1899, No. 167, Revenue:—

I have considered in Council Your Excellency's letter No. 207 (Finance and Commerce), dated 22nd June 1899, relative to a proposed revision of village establishments in the Tanjore district.

2. The revision will involve a total increase of Rs. 2,75,520 per annum, of which one-half is chargeable to Government.

3. Your Excellency is satisfied of the expediency of the measure, and I sanction it with effect from the 1st July 1899.

Ordered that a copy be forwarded to the Revenue and Agricultural Department, in continuation of endorsement No. 2670-Ex., dated the 22nd June 1899.

Ordered also that a copy, with a copy of the Despatch to which the above is a reply, be forwarded to the Accountant General, Madras.

(Signed) W. S. MEYER,
Dy. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

Copy, with copy of the Despatch to the Secretary of State, No. 207, dated the 22nd June 1899, forwarded to the Government of Madras, for information, in continuation of letter No. 1440-94-5, dated the 28th June 1899.

(Signed) E. MACONOCHE,
Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

ENCLOSURE.

Copy of a Despatch from the Government of India, Finance and Commerce Department (Salaries, Establishments, &c.—Land Revenue), to the Right Honourable the Secretary of State for India, dated Simla, 22nd June 1899, No. 207 of 1899.

We have the honour to forward, for your Lordship's consideration and orders, a copy of a letter from the Government of Madras submitting proposals for the revision of village establishments in the Tanjore district.

2. The desirability of improving the village agency in Madras was affirmed by the Government of India in their letter No. 281—C. I.,* dated the 5th March 1890, to the Local Government, and also in paragraph 3 of our Despatch No. 159, † dated the 9th June 1898, with reference to the question of improving the position of karnams (village accountants) in that Presidency. In our letter No. 1682, ‡ dated the 8th August 1892, to the Madras Government, we agreed that half the cost of the village agency should be paid out of Provincial revenues, and sections 8 and 9 of the Madras Village Cess Act (IV of 1893) provide for this.

3. Of the total increase of Rs. 2,75,520 per annum proposed, a sum of Rs. 28,776 is attributable to the revision of the rates of pay of karnams which was sanctioned in Your Lordship's Despatch No. 125 (Revenue) of the 14th July 1898. As to the remainder of the proposals, we do not think it necessary or possible to criticise or to examine the reasonableness of them in detail, for they involve minutiae as to areas to be assigned to petty village menial servants and the salaries suitable for them as to which the Local Government and their officers are alone capable of deciding according to rule. The proposals, so far as we can judge, are suitable and are based on the assessment and population of each village. The total cost of the establishments thus revised represents a charge of Rs. 8.8 per cent. on the land revenue which compares not unfavourably with the cost of village establishments in other parts of India. Moreover, the revision of the Tanjore settlement has been financially remunerative and it is right that the village officers' establishments should be brought up to the prescribed scale. We would, therefore, request Your Lordship's sanction to the introduction of the scheme from the 1st July 1899.

4. Provision has been made in the budget estimates to meet the extra expenditure which, in the event of the proposals being sanctioned, will be required during the current year.

No. 2670-E.

* Original papers returned.

* Copy forwarded to the Department of Revenue and Agriculture for information.

(By order.)

(Signed) W. S. MEYER,
Dy. Secy. to the Govt. of India.

ORDER—No. 597, Revenue, dated 7th September 1899.

Miscellaneous.

Communicated to the Board of Revenue.

(True Extract.)

for Ag. Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue).
" the Accountant-General.
" the Financial Department.

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