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Fort St. George, Judicial Consultation, 8th February 1859.

No. 30. Read the following letter from J. ROHDE, Esq., Inspector General of Jails; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George, dated 25th January 1859, No. 42.

SIR,

I have the honor to state that it has been deemed necessary to employ 20 additional Peons with a Duffadar and Naick over them in consequence of the number of prisoners now under trial in the Jail at Combaconum, I append the Sessions Judge's letter on the subject.

From G. T. BEAUCHAMP, Esq., Sessions Judge in charge of the Sub Court, Combaconum; to J. ROHDE, Esq., Inspector of Prisons, dated 21st January 1859, No. 44.

SIR,

1. A Detachment of Europeans which was sent from Trichinopoly during the late disturbances here has been detained for some time solely for the purpose of guarding the Jail. The time for which the General Commanding the Division sanctioned this arrangement will expire on the 28th Instant. There are now 295 prisoners awaiting trial in the Jail. The ordinary number is under 20. It is obvious that the fixed Jail guard must be insufficient in the present emergency; indeed it has been necessary to employ Sepoys to guard prisoners on their way to and from and in the Courts. I have therefore taken upon myself the responsibility of entertaining the establishment noted in the margin, and request sanction for the same.

1 Duffadar.
1 Naick.
20 Peons.

2. I should explain that I hope that by the time that the Magistrate to whom, as it is desirable that the Peons should have no connections in this neighbourhood, I have applied, has collected this force, the number of untried prisoners will be reduced to 200 above the average, and that as the trials proceed, reductions will be made at the rate of 1 Peon to every 10 prisoners disposed of.

3. The entertainment of this force, I may add, will set the Sepoys free from the duty usually performed by Peons which they are now called on to undertake and enable the Commanding Officer to furnish a guard for the Jail of sufficient strength to meet any emergency.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) J. ROHDE,
Inspector General of Jails.

No. 31. ORDER THEREON, No. 151; dated 5th February 1859.

Under the circumstances represented, the Government approve of the temporary employment of an extra force of Peons for guarding the Jail at Combaconum in which a large number of persons connected with the late disturbance there, are confined pending their trial. The reduction of the force will be effected in the manner proposed by Mr. Beauchamp.

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(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
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The Inspector of Prisons,
" Civil Auditor
" Asst. Secy.

[Signature]
Dated 10th