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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Judicial Department,
25th July 1863.*

No. 236. Read the following Proceedings of Government in the Revenue Department, dated 17th July 1863, No. 1,313.

Authorizing, in supersession of Order, dated 13th December, 1859, No. 1,679, the separation of the Nursipatam Talook into the two Talooks of Golcondah and Survasiddy in the Vizagapatam District, and sanctioning with certain modifications the scale of establishment proposed by the Principal Assistant Collector for both Talooks.

(Vide Proceedings Revenue Department, dated 17th July 1863, Nos. 324 and 325.)

No. 237.

ORDER THEREON, 25th July 1863, No. 1,195.

To be recorded.

(Signed) A. J. ARBUTHNOT,

Chief Secretary.

Exd. T. O'Connor.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter from the Honorable C. PELLY, Member of the Board of Revenue, to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, Fort Saint George, dated Madras, 22nd June 1863, No. 1,563 :—

SIR,

1. I have the honor to submit a letter from the Acting Collector of Vizagapatam, pointing out the disadvantages of the arrangement made for uniting the two old Talooks of Golconda and Survasiddy into one Talook, called the Nursipatam Talook, which was ordered by Government in their Order, dated 13th December 1859, No. 1,679, and requesting a

From Collector, dated 4th October 1861,
Do Inspector General of Police, dated
6th September 1861.

re-consideration of the subject. It would seem that the new Police was introduced into this Talook in September 1861, and consequently from that date the amalgamation has had practical effect.

2. The area of the Golconda Talook was 642 miles, but its revenue was only a little more than half a lac of Rupees; the area of Survasiddy was only 200 square miles, its revenue about a lac or little more. The local authorities before objected to the proposition to unite these two Talooks; but taking into consideration the very small size of Survasiddy with its by no means large revenue, and the very small revenue of Golconda, which indicated the feasibility of amalgamation, I recommended the measure, and the Government agreed to the plan, observing that "in this decision they are fully supported by the Honorable Mr. Elliot, late Commissioner in the Northern Circars, and intimately acquainted with the localities, who in his place in Council has declared his full approval of the union."

3. The Acting Collector, Mr. Carmichael, now submits a letter from his Principal Assistant Mr. Longley, urging the separation of the united Talook, in consequence of the inconveniences entailed both on the Ryots and the public service by the new arrangement. This recommendation is supported by the Collector. I will quote Mr. Longley's reasons in extenso, observing that (as stated by Mr. Carmichael) the Principal Assistant has the immediate charge of the Talook and lives generally at Nursipatam, which fact will of course give additional weight to his opinion.

4. Mr. Longley writes as follows :—

3. "The Talook contains two almost distinct races. The inhabitants of the Upper or Golconda Division are hill men, whilst the lower and Survasiddy Division is inhabited entirely by the cultivating class.

4. "Besides this distinction in race, nature has marked the line between the two Divisions. A high range of hills runs from north to south parallel with the high road cutting off all communication excepting at the gorges (పాన) between the upper and lower Divisions. The people of Survasiddy look upon the Golconda country as 'Manyem' and have a dread of entering the gorge. So great, indeed, is the fear of this unknown country that the Survasiddy people prefer remaining passive under all difficulties, and are silent to going up to Nursipatam to prefer their complaints before the Talook Cutcherry. During the last Jambundy the Ryots brought this very strongly to my notice. 'Our land is under a cloud.'

5. "The hill people are equally averse to leaving the neighbourhood of their own hills and be 'touched by the sea wind;' it would, therefore, be a denial of justice to them, to place the Tahsildar in the Lower Division, even supposing the extent were not too great for one man properly to look after which, in my opinion, it certainly is."

5. There are, it must be admitted, in this statement, some cogent reasons, which were not before adduced against the measure lately adopted, though it must be remembered that a separate Magisterial Officer, who is also Deputy Tahsildar, has been given, who resides at Yellamun-chilly in the Survasiddy portion of the Talook, so that practically there cannot be that "denial of justice to the people of the lower portion of the Nursipatam Talook," which Mr. Longley speaks of in the opening part of his letter. The question, however, is one which, in con-

sequence of representations of the local Officers (both those who were in the District before the amalgamation, and those now have the management of affairs), is fully deserving of the re-consideration of Government.

6. It will be observed that Mr. Longley, paragraph 2, represents the Talook as having an area of 1,052 miles. But this is evidently including the two small Zamindaries of Nakkepully and Kasimkotta, which are, I presume, as respects Police, only under the jurisdiction of the Sub-Magistrate at Yellamunchilli. The correct area of the different portions of the Talook are as per margin. The revenue charge was, as stated in 1859, only 842½ square miles.

Nursipatam, viz. :-		Miles.
Golconda		642½
Survasiddy		200
		842½
Zamindary, viz. :-		
Nakkepully		126½
Kasimkotta		83½
		209½
Total Square Miles		1,052

7. It is proposed by Mr. Longley to separate the Talook reverting to the original boundaries, and to provide an Establishment without any extra cost to Government. He obtains this result partly by dividing the number of servants between the two Talooks, and partly by reducing the newly established rates of salary. I cannot for a moment accede to this part of his proposition. If the Government are of opinion that there should be two Talooks, each must have an appropriate Establishment regulated in the same scale as to numbers and salary as has been found necessary, and provided for every other Talook throughout the Presidency and the cost on the lowest scale would then be Rupees 1,065

The cost of the present Establishment including the additional Sub-Magistrate who would not be required is 641

The increase would therefore be per month 42½

8. The Principal Collector shows that the revenue of the Golconda portion is now on the increase, and that it will shortly reach at least 80,000 Rupees, which is another argument in favor of making it a separate Talook.

9. If the Government should, on the representation now made, resolve to reverse the Order for the amalgamation of the two Talooks, and decide that there shall be two Talooks, there may be a subordinate question as to where the Kasbas should be, and by what name the Talooks shall be designated. The Principal Assistant recommends Nursipatam as the Kasba of Golconda and Yellamunchilli as the Kasba of Survasiddy, but would retain the names of Golconda and Survasiddy as the names of the Talooks. But this is opposed to the general rule lately adopted that the Talook should take its name from its Kasba, and as the villages of Golconda and Survasiddy are no longer the Kasbas of the Talooks, I see no sufficient reason for departing from the rule laid down by Government.

10. A map of the District accompanies this letter for reference, which I request may be returned to me.

11. The statistics of the two Divisions of the Talook, as at present, is given in the annexed Memorandum :-

	Survasiddi.	Golconda.
Size in square miles	200	642½
Population	50,824	57,867
Revenue	1,31,450	66,602

ORDER THEREON, 17th July 1863, No. 1,313.

1. In December 1859 the Government granted authority for uniting the two Talooks of Golconda and Survasiddy in the Vizagapatam District into one, called the Nursipatam Talook. Mr. Pelly now submits letters from the Acting Collector and Principal Assistant, pointing out the disadvantages of this arrangement, which has been in operation since September 1861, and requesting a re-consideration of the matter.

2. Under the circumstances brought to notice, it seems desirable that the two Talooks in question should be kept apart; and the Government resolve, in supersession of their Order of

13th December 1859, No. 1,679, to grant authority for this being done. The Talooks will be named as before, Golconda and Survasiddy, and their Cusbahs will respectively be Nursipatam and Yellamanchilly.

3. The Principal Assistant Collector proposes an Establishment, exclusive of Saderwarid, for both the Talooks at an expense of Rupees 624 per mensem; but Mr. Pelly (paragraph 7) does not recommend the adoption of any other scale than that sanctioned for Talooks generally, the cost of which on the lowest scale is given as Rupees 1,065 a month. The Government do not see occasion to incur an additional monthly expenditure of Rupees 424 merely for the sake of uniformity. The Talooks in question are of small size, and the Government see no grounds for allotting to them materially larger Establishments than those recommended by the local Officers. The scale proposed by the Principal Assistant Collector seems sufficient. It is particularized below with certain modifications which Government deem necessary :-

	GOLCONDAH.				SURVASIDDY.			
	Proposed by the Principal Assistant Collector.		Proposed by the Government.		Proposed by the Principal Assistant Collector.		Proposed by the Government.	
	No.	Rs.	No.	Rs.	No.	Rs.	No.	Rs.
Tahsildar	1	100	1	100	1	100	1	100
Sheristadar	1	28	1	40	1	26	1	40
Head Gumashta	1	17	1	20	1	15	1	20
Gumashta	1	16	1	15	1	14	1	15
Do.	1	14	1	12	1	12	1	12
Shroff	1	10	1	10	1	8	1	10
Inspector	1	20	1	20	1	18	1	20
Do.	1	18	1	17	1	16	1	17
Duffadar	1	10	1	8	1	8	1	8
Peons at 6 Rupees each	15	90	15	90	12	72	12	72
Sweeper and Lamp Lighter.	1	6	1	5	1	6	1	5
Total	25	329	25	337	22	295	22	319

4. The pay of the Sheristadars, which has been fixed too low, has been raised in consideration of the position and responsibilities of those Officers, and the rates of pay proposed for some of the other servants have also been altered in order to make them correspond as nearly as possible with those fixed in the sanctioned standard scheme. The scale as modified by the Government, costing for both the Talooks Rupees 656 per mensem, and involving an extra expenditure of only Rupees 15 a month, is sanctioned for adoption; and Mr. Pelly is requested to revise his General Tabular Statement accordingly.

For Golconda	337
" Survasiddy	319
	656
Cost as stated by Mr. Pelly of present Establishment including Sub-Magistrate at Yellamunchilli not required	641
Increase	15

(True Extract.)

Secretary to Government.

To the Honorable C. Pelly.
Board of Revenue.
Accountant General.
Civil Paymaster.
Judicial Department.

Exd. S. T. Augustin.

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