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for the month of December 1859.

No. 14. Read the following letter from J. J. FRANKLIN, Esq., Superintendent of Marine ;
the Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 19th November 1859,
No. 4610.

After considerable delay which has been occasioned by a reference to Rajahmundri, to which a reply was only received a few days back, I have now the honor to report as directed in Order of Government of the 6th August last No 368, my opinion as to the arrangements necessary for placing the Master Attendant's establishment at Kákináda on an efficient footing and how far the port fund can be made available for the purpose.

2. The present establishment costs 245 Rupees for the Master Attendant's Office and about 186 Rupees, including oil and contingent charges, for that of the light-house for each month. Two-thirds of the former are charged to the port fund and the whole of the latter. The amount at the credit of the port fund on the 1st of September last was 2,754 Rupees, shewing an average collection since the introduction of Act XXII of 1855, of 172 Rupees a month in excess of the charges.

Master Attendant.....	200-0-0
1 Clerk	10-0-0
1 Tindal	6-0-0
4 Lascars	20-0-0
1 Signaller	5-0-0
1 Peon	4-0-0
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	245-0-0

3. The port of Kákináda is fast becoming one of great importance, although in a mercantile point of view not more so yet than Cochin, each may be placed in the category of 1st class out ports, requiring the Officer in charge of them to be more than ordinarily active and intelligent, but at Kákináda a larger amount of Government work falls to the share of the Master Attendant. Military, Commissariat, and Public Works Stores are already from time to time and will be shortly in constant dispatch there : troops will be landed and embarked there in preference to Masulipatan, where natural disadvantages render the operation tedious and sometimes hazardous and before long we may look for a vast increase to the augmenting trade of the port. In 1848-49 the tonnage was 49,956 tons. In 1857-58 it had advanced to 64,998 tons. There seems therefore ample reason for adopting Colonel A. Cotton's views recorded in para 20 of his letter to Government of the 8th June last, as to the insufficiency of the present establishment and the importance of placing it on a more efficient footing. The question is what the establishment shall be fixed at.

Master Attendant.....	400-0-0	4. The Collector of Rajahmundri considers that the salary of the Master Attendant should not be less than 400 Rupees a month, exclusive of any small fees for measuring vessels or boats for registry, and he recommends the establishment noted in the margin, in which not only is an addition proposed to the strength of the office, but an advance made in the wages, as these he states have increased greatly of late years, and it is difficult to procure efficient servants at old rates. The increase in cost is 292½ Rupees.
1 Clerk.....	25-0-0	
3 Peons at 6.....	18-0-0	
1 Sweeper.....	3-0-0	
1 Signaller.....	10-8-0	
1 Look-out peon.....	6-0-0	
FOR REPORT BOAT.		
4 Men at 7.....	28-0-0	
1 Boy to steer.....	4-0-0	
MASTER ATTENDANT'S BOAT.		
1 Tindal.....	8-0-0	
5 Men at 7.....	35-0-0	
	537-8-0	

5. Mr. Purvis' scale is no doubt well calculated to effect the object in view, but I think that, considering the inadequacy of the port fund to meet these extra expenses, even when only two-thirds are debited to it, leaving the remainder as a charge on the State for the Government work performed by the Master Attendant and his establishment, it will be advisable to curtail its proportions where such can be done with least risk of injuring its efficiency.

6. I would not interfere with the rates recommended, as the Collector on the spot must be best able to judge on that point, but I am of opinion that the report boat's crew may be dispensed with. Mr. Purvis represents that as there is no separate crew sanctioned for this boat, when it is sent to a ship, the Master Attendant has none for his own boat, and must either remain on

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shore when he is required to be afloat or engage other men. This difficulty may I think be easily overcome by occasionally hiring men to fetch a ship's report on entry, as is done at many other ports where Government boats are not kept up, when the Master Attendant's crew is otherwise employed.

7. I moreover do not see the necessity of a Sweeper at 3 Rupees a month. The Master Attendant's Office will not be so extensive as to require a man to be entertained expressly for this purpose, and one of his boat's crew could be made to perform this duty.

8. The last item which may admit of reduction is the proposed salary for the Master Attendant. In 1st class out-ports, and more particularly where the Master Attendant has to deal with Commanders and Crews of European British and Foreign vessels, I think, when the port fund will admit of it, that the salary should not be lower than 350 Rupees per month which, considering the difference in the expense of living, may be looked on as nearly commensurate with the emoluments of the Assistant Master Attendant at Madras. These Officers are strictly forbidden to trade and have no other emoluments except those derived from surveying Ships, which were much reduced by Act VII of 1858, and from surveying boats under the Out-port Boat Rules of April 23rd 1847. Occasionally a small amount is payable to them as receivers of Flotsams and Jetsams, but probably in all the addition to their salary does not exceed 5 to 600 Rupees a year in the most lucrative port.

9. For the foregoing reasons, I would recommend the establishment shewn in the margin as sufficient for the wants of the port of Kákináda; and that two-thirds of the cost should be

	Proposed.			Present.		
	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.
1 Master Attendant..	350	0	0	200	0	0
1 Clerk.....	25	0	0	10	0	0
3 Peons at 6.....	18	0	0	4	0	0
1 Signaller.....	10	8	0	5	0	0
1 Look-out Peon.....	6	0	0	0	0	0
1 Tindal.....	8	0	0	6	0	0
5 Lascars at 7.....	35	0	0	20	0	0
	452	8	0	245	0	0
	245	0	0			
Increase.	207	8	0			

debited to the port fund and the remainder be a charge on the State. In addition to the proportional expense of the Master Attendant's establishment, the port fund is debited with the entire cost of that of the light-house.

No. 15. ORDER THEREON, 14th December 1859, No. 633.

Proposed Establishment including Master Attendant.....	452-8-0
Present scale.....	245-0-0
Difference.....	207-8-0
2/3 debitable to Port Fund.....	138-5-4
Net increase Rupees...	69-2-8

Resolved that application be made for the sanction of the Government of India to the additions to the Salary and Establishment of the Master Attendant at Kákináda, as recommended by the Superintendent of Marine.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

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Mo. 16. To THE SECRETARY TO THE GOVERNMENT OF INDIA, dated 14th December 1859, No. 634.

SIR,

Proceedings 3rd August last, No. 1863, Public Works Department.

In his letter, 8th June last, No. 234, Colonel Arthur Cotton, Commandant of Engineers, directed the attention of Government to the

rapid enlargement of the trade of Kákináda, as the outlet for the produce of the Godaverí and Kristna Deltas, and, among other suggestions for the improvement of the port and town, pointed out the importance of putting the Master Attendant's Department on a thoroughly efficient footing as respects salary, establishment, boats, &c.

2. The Superintendent of Marine, who was desired to report what arrangements would be required to place the Master Attendant's Establishment at Kákináda, in all respects on an efficient footing, and how far the port fund could be made available for the purpose, remarks that the port is fast becoming one of great importance, and that a large amount of Government work falls to the share of the Master Attendant. Military, Commissariat, and Public Works Stores, are already from time to time, and will be shortly in constant dispatch there, troops will be landed and embarked there in preference to Masulipatam, where natural disadvantages render the operation tedious and sometimes hazardous, and before long, a vast increase to the augmenting trade of the port may be looked for. In 1848-49 the tonnage was 49,956 tons. In 1857-58 it had advanced to 64,998 tons. There seemed, therefore, ample reason for adopting Colonel Cotton's views as to the insufficiency of the present establishment.

3. In first class out-ports, and more particularly where the Master Attendant has to deal with Commanders and Crews of European British and Foreign Vessels, the Superintendent thinks that the salary should not be lower than 350 Rupees a month, which, considering the difference in the expense of living, may be looked on as nearly commensurate with the emoluments of the Assistant Master Attendant at Madras. These officers are strictly forbidden to trade, and have no other emoluments, except those derived from surveying ships, which were much reduced by Act VII of 1858, and from surveying boats under the Out-port Boat Rules of 23rd April 1847. Occasionally a small amount is payable to them as receivers of Flotsams and Jetsams, but probably in all the addition to their salary does not exceed 5 or 600 Rupees a year in the most lucrative port.

4. For the foregoing reasons, the Superintendent would recommend the additions to the establishment, shewn in the accompanying

Proposed Establishment, including Master Attendant.....	Rs. 452	8	0
Present Scale.....	245	0	0
Difference.....	207	8	0
2/3 debitable to Port Fund*.....	138	5	4
Net Increase.....	69	2	8

Tabular application, two-thirds of the proposed increase, Rupees 207-8-0, being debited to the Port Fund, and the remainder to be a charge on the State.

5. This Government recommend the addition proposed by the Superintendent of Marine—2/3rds to be debited to the Port Fund,—on account of the greatly increasing importance of the port, which will henceforth be made the place of debarkation for troops and stores sent by sea from Madras for conveyance to Nagpore and Hyderabad.

* The collections of Port fees are on an average about Rupees 172 per mensem in excess of the charges. Two-thirds of the present Master Attendant's establishment, and the entire expenses of the Light-house are now charged to the Port Fund.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Extract from Home Department, Government of India.			Nature of Charge.						Permanent.										
No.	Date.	Office to which the position refers.	Present Scale.			Proposed Scale.			Increase per month.			Decrease per month.							
		Master Attendant's Department at Kakinada.		Rs.	A.	P.		Rs.	A.	P.		Rs.	A.	P.		Rs.	A.	P.	
			Master Attendant.....	200	0	0		350	0	0		150	0	0					
			Clerk.....	10	0	0		25	0	0		15	0	0					
			Peon.....	4	0	0	3 Peons on 6.....	18	0	0		14	0	0					
			Signaller.....	5	0	0		10	8	0		5	8	0					
			Tindal.....	6	0	0	Look-out Peon.....	6	0	0		6	0	0					
			4 Lascars.....	20	0	0	5 Lascars on 7.....	8	0	0		2	0	0					
								35	0	0		15	0	0					
				Rupees...	245	0	0		Rupees...	452	8	0		207	8	0			

FORT SAINT GEORGE, }
14th December 1859. }

Exd. F. Cartledge.

Department, for the month of December 1859.

situation.			Grounds of Proposition.	Local Government's re- commendation.	Orders of the Government of India.		
Temporary.					Home Department.	Financial Department.	
Increase per month.	Decrease per month.					Remarks.	Orders.
Period.	Period.	Casual or Extraordinary.				Remarks.	
R. A P	R. A P		Vide letter to the Government of India, dated 14th December 1859, No. 634.	Favorable.			

Forwarded for sanction to the Home Department of the Government of India.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George.

Resolved that application
be made for the sanction of
the Govt. of India to the addi-

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Present Scale - 245.11.4	establish-
Difference - 207.8...	ment of the
2/3 debitable to Govt. Fund 138.5.4	Master At-
Net Increase Rs. 69.2.8.	tendant, al-

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mended by the Superin-
tendent of Marine.

Ordered that the following
letter be despatched
To the Secy. to the Govt. of India.

Enclosure + J P

The Superintendent of Marine. } 21st Decr. 1859

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N^o. 134

The Secretary to the Govt. of India.

From: 3rd Augt. last.
N^o. 1863. Sub. Encl. Dept.

Sir,

In his letter, 8th June last.
N^o. 234, Colonel Arthur
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The Secy: to the Gov: of India

27/12/59.

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For Govt to see.

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The Secy: to the Gov: of India

27/12/59.

Refers to the Secy: to the Gov: of India dated 27/12/59.

Directing that application be made for the sanction of the Govt of India to the addition to the salary and extra remuneration of the Master attendant at Madras as

as recommended by the Govt of Marine and ordinary the Govt of a letter to that effect.

Chief 19.

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Department.

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Year	Revenue		Charges		Total		Net	
	Ordinary	Extra-ordinary	Ordinary	Extra-ordinary	Revenue	Charges	Surplus	Deficit

Extract from Home Department Govt. of India		Office to which the proposition refers.	Nature of Charge.		Proposition.						No. of Govt. Order under which	
					Permanent.			Temporary.				
					Increase per Month.	Decrease per Month.	Period.	Increase per Month.	Decrease per Month.	Period.		
No.	Date.	Present Scale.	Proposed Scale.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.	Rs.	A.	P.

Master Attendants' Department at Madras												
		Master Attendant	200	"			350	"	150	"		
		Clark	10	"			25	"	15	"		
		Boys	4	"	3 Boats on 6		18	"	14	"		
		Signaller	5	"			10	"	8	"		
		"	"	"	Lookout Boat		6	"	6	"		
		Trindal	6	"			8	"	2	"		
		4 Sarsars	20	"	5 Sarsars on 7		35	"	15	"		
			Rs. 245	"			Rs. 452	"	207	"		

Master Attendants' Department at Madras

Fort St. George

14th Decr. 1859

Grounds of Proposition.

Local Govern.
ments recom-
mendation.

Orders of the Government of India.

Home Dept. Financial Department

Remarks. Remarks. Orders.

Vide Letter to the Govt. of India,
dated 14th December 1859
N^o 134.

Favorable.

Department
N^o 135.

Forwarded for sanction to the Home De-
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JF

Chief Secy to the Govt. of Fort St. George
Madras.