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MARINE DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter from J. J. FRANKLIN, Esq., Superintendent of Marine; to J. D. SIM, Esq., Secretary to Government, Marine Department, Fort Saint George, dated 6th November 1861, No. 3,104.

I have the honor to acknowledge receipt of the Proceedings of Government of the 28th September last, No. 312, passing orders on Mr. Pelly's recommendations for the revision of the Marine Establishments at the out-ports of the Madras Presidency.

2. As directed in the 9th paragraph of the order therein recorded, I forward a full statement of the present and proposed establishments at these ports, shewing the amounts now borne respectively by the port funds and by Government, as well as those that will have to be met if the scheme is sanctioned by the Supreme Government. From this it will be seen that not only are most of the ports self-supporting under present arrangements, but that they will continue to be so under the new ones.

3. The first port in the list which shews a deficiency under the new system is Monsoor-cottah. Dues however were not imposed here till 1st March last, and the amount exhibited can only be looked on as an approximation.

4. At Binlipatam the dues of 1860-61 fall short of the proposed charges by upwards of Rupees 500, but this port had on the 30th April last, a balance to its credit of 3,893-8-9. It is not necessary therefore that any increase should be made in the rate to meet this deficiency, nor do I think it necessary at Vizagapatam where the deficiency amounts to nearly Rupees 700. Last year was a season of limited shipments: produce was scarce and the dues which in 1859-60 amounted at Vizagapatam to Rupees 1,785, fell in 1860-61 to Rupees 881. The fund is in debt Rupees 2,346, but with the proposed reduction in the expenses and the stimulus which abundant rains will give to shipping transactions, I doubt not the port will be able to relieve itself. If not the due will have to be slightly increased.

5. The only other port that fails to pay its portion of the expenses is Masulipatam, but its circumstances are exceptional. A Master Attendant is not required there for the ordinary purposes of trade, but as the Government Officer whose duty it is to attend to the embarkation and disembarkation of troops and the shipment and discharge of Government stores. The port dues for 1860-61 were only Rupees 1,167, while the actual expense of the establishment, including the light on the flagstaff, was Rupees 3,939. On the 30th April last the port was in debt Rupees 6,538-10-7, and it is quite impossible that this debt can ever be repaid from dues, for the trade is too insignificant to expect such a result; and as it is for Government purposes that the establishment there is kept up, I think a re-adjustment of the mode of debiting its cost should take place. I would propose that the expense of the light should be the only charge on the fund. This under the new scheme will amount to Rupees 814, leaving the remainder Rupees 3,818 as a charge on Government. If this suggestion be approved I would further recommend that the debt Rupees 6,538-10-7 be written off as against the port.

6. The statement now submitted shews that the whole cost of the Marine Establishments at out-ports under the existing system, including the lights which not being in any port are kept up entirely by Government, is Rupees 39,403-3-0, that Rupees 15,884-1-0 of this is borne by the State, and Rupees 23,519-2-0 by the port funds. Moreover that under the proposed arrangements the entire cost of the establishments will be Rupees 57,148 in the proportion of Rupees 23,586 to Government and Rupees 33,562 to the port funds; and that in nearly all the cases these funds are even now sufficient for the additional charges. I am, however, of opinion that they will soon be much more than equal to meet these demands for the trade at the various No. 2. ports is rapidly increasing. The accompanying statement of the dues raised on an average of three years between 1852 and 1855 and of those during the last two years will clearly show this to be the case, for the Act XXII of 1855 did not increase the rate, which remained at one Anna the Ton at all the ports until 1st February last, when at Cocanada and Cochin, it was raised to 2 Annas.

7. The annual increased expense to Government will be Rupees 7,701-15-0, but if the suggestion in my 5th paragraph is attended to, an addition will have to be made to this of Rupees 2,545-5-4, being the two-thirds proportion of the Marine Establishment of Masulipatam set down

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as to be borne by the port fund, which it is shewn is unable to meet the expense. The whole increase to Government would then be Rupees 10,247-4-4 being rather less than Rupees 900 a month.

ORDER THEREON, 4th December 1861, No. 401.

Statement No. 1 submitted with the above letter, does not afford the precise information required by paragraph 9 of the Order of the 28th September last, No. 312. In place of being confined exclusively to establishments, it comprises contingencies at the out-ports and the hire of a boat at Cochin.

2. Mr. Franklin will be so good as to furnish a revised statement, exhibiting only the establishments at the out-ports, and including that sanctioned by the Government of India for the Pulicat Light House. The proposed salary of the Superintendent of the Hope Island Light House, should be stated at Rupees 660, not Rupees 624 as in the present statement.

3. In addition to this revised statement, Mr. Franklin will send in the Tabular application also called for in the same Order. In it the grades at each port must be shown in detail, with the monthly, not the annual, rates of salary.

Where under the same grades, different salaries are allowed, the several rates must be specified. The income of the Port Funds, instead of being shown in a separate statement, should be given in the heading of the Tabular application, Form No. 1. The charges in this heading will of course include contingencies, &c., as well as establishments, and extra columns may be added thereto to exhibit the proportion of these total charges debitable to the Government and the Port Funds respectively.

4. The Government agree with the Superintendent of Marine that the establishment maintained at Masulipatam is in excess of the commercial requirements of that port. As long, however, as the debarkation and shipment of Troops and Government stores proceeding to and from Hyderabad and Nagpore is carried on at the port to the same extent as at present, the Marine Establishment will be necessary. The expense of the Light only at Masulipatam be charged to the Port Fund, and all other expenses be borne by Government. The amount due by that Fund at present will likewise be written off.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Superintendent of Marine,
(with two Statements returned.)
Accountant General.

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