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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 3rd June 1861.

No. 21. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 6th May 1861, No. 2,312:—

Read Proceedings of the Madras Government, dated 22nd April 1861, No. 907, R. D., reviewing the Board's report on the settlement and collection of the revenues of this Presidency for Fasli 1269, and calling for explanation on certain points.

(In Cons. 23rd April 1861, No. 2,541.)

1. The foregoing Proceedings will be circulated immediately among the Collectors, and their attention be particularly drawn to the various remarks of Government therein contained. The Board will now notice only those points which require explanation from them.

2. In paragraph 7 of the Government Order under reference, the marginal discrepancy is pointed out in the area under occupation in Fasli 1268. This Difference occurs principally in Tanjore and Tinnevelly, where the actual holding at the close of Fasli 1268 had not as in the other Districts been correctly shown in the accounts of that Fasli, owing to the defective nature of the returns for the Olungu villages of those Districts which do not furnish particulars of holdings. The cultivation of Fasli 1269, on which the settlement had actually been made was therefore entered as the "holdings" for these Districts at the commencement of the Fasli, and it was in consequence necessary to take the same extent as the holding at the close of the previous Fasli 1268. It will be seen from the figures in the margin that the difference caused by the arrangement was no less than acres 1,60,248; and if from this is deducted the extent under occupancy amounting to about 56,000 acres of the Akuvade and Relungi divisions which, as those divisions had been restored to the Zamíndár of Nedadavole, was not included in the holdings entered for the Godavery District at the beginning of Fasli 1269, the remainder will be the difference alluded to. The transactions of the old Madras District are entered as usual under sundry items of Land Revenue.

	Acres.
As per Report of Fasli 1268, paras. 24 & 25.	1,40,63,944
Do. of Fasli 1269, para. 12.....	1,41,67,855
Difference....	1,03,911

TANJORE.

	Acres.
Cultivation of Fasli 1268.....	9,03,390
Add waste remitted in the Ryotwary portion.....	25,385
Total.....	9,28,775
Cultivation of Fasli 1269.....	9,50,765
Increase.....	21,990

TINNEVELLY.

Cultivation of Fasli 1268.....	7,31,521
Do. of Fasli 1269.....	8,69,779
Increase.....	1,38,258
Total increase in the two Districts.....	1,60,248
Deduct.	
Land under occupancy of the Akuvade and Relungi divisions.....	56,337
	1,03,911

3. In regard to paragraph 8 of the Proceedings of Government under reply, the Board observe that the remarks therein contained appear to have been made under some misapprehension. The figures in Statement No. 5 for both Faslis 1268 and 1269 represent the area taken as the basis of the settlement and not the land in occupation. The latter amounted to acres 1,46,41,496 in Fasli 1269: from this "waste remitted" acres* 2,52,882 is deducted, and the balance of acres 1,43,89,214 is the area of cultivation on which the settlement was made, and this is the extent entered in Statements 4 and 5. The Board's statements are, therefore, quite correct.

* Vide column 48, Statement No. 3.

4. The particulars of the salt wastage written off in column 13 of Statement No. 14 are given below:— Paragraph 16.

	I. Mds.
Quantity written off being the wastage which occurred in Fasli 1268, as per sanction of Government dated 8th June 1860, No. 950.....	3,41,881
Do. do. being do. in Fasli 1267, as per do. 26th September 1859, No. 1,301.....	2,33,629
Quantity written off in Ganjam being do. in Fasli 1266, as per separate sanction, dated 1st September 1858.....	30,998
Do. do. in Kistna being do. in Fasli 1266, as per do. do.....	22,629
Do. do. in Madras as per Board's Proceedings dated 9th July and 24th December 1858, and Government sanction 1st September 1858, and 26th September and 5th December 1859.....	39,148
Total.....	6,68,285

It will thus be seen that all the wastage sanctioned up to Fasli 1269 was wholly written off. The wastage sanctioned in the Government Order under reply will be ordered to be written off at once. With the exception of this and the wastage of the current Fasli 1270, for writting off which sanction will be obtained in the ensuing Fasli, there is no other wastage existing in the accounts.

Paragraph 21. 5. In this paragraph the Government notice a difference between the arrears of Tanjore of Fasli 1268, as there given, and as entered in a Statement subsequently sent to them from the Board's Office. The sum of Rupees 3,63,100 alluded to by the Board as being the balance conditionally remitted in connection with the Olungu abolition, but retained in the accounts pending the completion of the Mottafaisul settlement, was the balance at the end of September last, and not October as stated by them. In this latter month, Rupees 2,33,813 of the above sum had been written off, leaving Rupees 1,29,287 to be hereafter adjusted; to which a doubtful balance of Rupees 62,699 being added, makes a total of Rupees 1,91,986, and this is the entire balance at the end of October last, as shown in the detailed statement sent by the Board.

6. Adverting to paragraph 26, the Board beg to state that the statement appended to paragraph 43 of their Report represents the receipts within the year. The statement called for in paragraph 27 will be submitted with future reports.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON, *Secretary.*

No. 22. ORDER THEREON, 3rd June 1861, No. 1,137.

Ordered to be recorded.

(Signed) J. D. SIM,

Secretary to Government.

Pro. of Govt for June
No 1185.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE.

To the Secretary to Government, R. D.

Copy to all Collectors.

Dated 6th May 1861.
Received 17th "

No. 2,312.

Drawing attention of the several Collectors to the various remarks of Government contained in their Proceedings of 22nd April 1861, No. 907, R. D., on the settlement and collection of the revenues of this Presidency for Fasli 1269.

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