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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 8th June 1861.

No. 83. Read the following Proceedings of the Madras Government in the Public Department, dated 6th June 1861, No. 803 :—

Requiring the Civil Auditor to pass the Bills of the Collector of South Arcot on account of his Postal Establishments until the receipt of orders from Government of India in reply to Mr. Williamson's reference and pending the revision of the District Dâwk Establishments by Mr. Pelly, and desiring the latter Officer to proceed with the above revision as quickly as possible.

(Vide Public Proceedings, 6th June 1861, Nos. 35, 36.)

No. 84. ORDER THEREON, 8th June 1861, No. 1,168.

Ordered to be communicated to the Board of Revenue for information.

(Signed) J. D. SIM,
Secretary to Government.

PUBLIC DEPARTMENT.

PROCEEDINGS OF THE MADRAS GOVERNMENT.

Read the following letter from H. WOOD, Esq., Collector of South Arcot; to T. PYCROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to the Government, Fort Saint George, dated Cuddalore, 18th May 1861, No. 14.

I have the honor to address you on the subject of the payment due to the Táluq Tappal establishment, to which so many difficulties and objections have arisen on the part of the Civil Auditor and the Post Master General.

2. The accompanying Statement shews the strength of this establishment as entertained under the sanction of Government, and with the approval of the Post Master General.

3. That part of it shewn in the 1st column, has been maintained for several years with the permission of the Post Master General through whom the bills for its pay have been regularly forwarded to the Civil Auditor by whom they were passed up to September 1860, since which time no bills have been passed, I have the honor also to enclose a copy of the Post Master General's letter of date 26th March which intimates that he is about to make an application for a fresh sanction from the Government of India, pending which, he says, the payment of the establishment must be postponed.

4. It is now the sixth month since that part of the Department (Taluq Tappal) received any pay. I cannot but apprehend that if their payment is delayed any further, they will strike work as unable to carry it on under such circumstances as these hard times.

5. That part of the establishment entered in column 2* has been entertained from 1857 on the general sanction of Government under date 12th December 1857 No. 1,758, which sanction was confirmed and rendered permanent by the Order of Government dated 15th March 1860, No. 378.

Rupees 112

6. On the revision of the Táluq establishment and the introduction of the new Police the Postal Department was deprived of a few of the old Táluq Revenue Peons and Taliaries. To compensate for this loss, I was induced to apply to Government for permission to entertain some additional Peons &c., besides those entered in columns 1 and 2; without this the Department could not be placed on an efficient footing.

7. The Government acceded to my request and sanctioned (under date 5th December 1860, No. 1,751) a further monthly expenditure of Rupees 158, for the purpose above mentioned.

8. The bill for this and for that part of the establishment alluded to in paragraph 5, has been passed in due order up to the month of January.

9. The Civil Auditor has objected to pass the two bills above mentioned for the month of February, on the ground that the amount sanctioned by Government on the 5th December 1860, may not be exceeded. I enclose a copy of his letter.

10. I have in answer addressed him on the subject, and have endeavoured to explain to him the various and distinct sanctions under which the above portions of the Department are entertained.

11. The entire system has been, as I have shown, established by various sanctions of Government and though it amounts in total to the sum of Rupees 270, I considered it essential to the maintenance of an unbroken communication between the Táluq and Sub Magistrate's Offices &c., &c., and no curtailment could be made without impairing its completeness.

12. Under these circumstances I have to request that you will be pleased to obtain for me the requisite sanction from Government and issue the necessary orders to the Civil Auditor to pass the bills above mentioned pending the revision of the Postal Department by Mr. Pelly.

13. I have further the honor to request that the Post Master General may receive instructions to pass the bills mentioned in para. 3 of my letter, otherwise I shall be unable to retain the services of the establishment any longer.

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Statement showing the amount of monthly expenditure incurred on account of Talook Tappal establishment in South Arcot.

The establishment entertained and paid through the Post Master General.	Additional strength entertained under the sanction of the 12th December 1857, and 15th March 1860.	Further addition of establishment sanctioned in 5th December 1860, No. 1,751.
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RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
176 6 2	112 0 0	158 0 0

(Signed) H. WOOD,
Collector.

SOUTH ARCOT, COLLECTOR'S CUTCHERRY,
CUDDALORE,
18*th May* 1861.

From R. H. WILLIAMSON, Esq., Post Master General; to the Collector of South Arcot, dated 26th March 1861, No. 36.

With reference to your letter No. 25, dated 15th instant, I have the honor to inform you that the Officiating Civil Auditor, Fort Saint George, has declined to pass the bills on account of the District Post establishment since the month of December last, the establishment not having been regularly sanctioned by the Government of India. Application is about being made for the necessary sanction and on receipt of the same, I shall communicate again with you.

From C. THEROOVENCATACHARRY, Deputy Collector at Cuddalore; to the Civil Auditor, Fort Saint George, dated 23rd March 1861, No. 30.

In retransmitting the pay bill of extra Peons for conveying Talook Tappal for the month of February, I have the honor to explain that this establishment is in existence for some years, and rated of as permanent, whereas the one employed under the sanction of Government, dated 5th December 1860, is an addition to the other, since the service of Peons and Talliaries, who used to assist the former have been withdrawn from the work after the introduction of Mofussil Police and revision of Talook establishment.

I beg to point out that the establishments are different and are paid according to the bills submitted.

I beg you will therefore be pleased to pass the full amount of the enclosed bill as was done up to last month and return the same to me.

If you consider still proper that all charges on account of Talook Tappal should in future be submitted in one bill, I will do so by putting the particulars of both of them together.

CONTINGENT DEPARTMENT.

No. 93.

MEMORANDUM.

South Arcot Deputy Collector's letter, dated 23rd March 1861, No. 30.

G. O. No. 1,751 of the 5th December 1860, sanctions a monthly expenditure of Rupees 158, on account of the Tappal establishment. This cannot be exceeded, but if the Collector is willing to return the bill passed for Rupees 70 the retrenchment of Rupees 24 can be made from it, and the other passed in full for Rupees 112.

It will be better as suggested that a single bill should be submitted in future.

CIVIL AUDIT OFFICE,
FORT SAINT GEORGE,
26*th March* 1861.

(Signed) W. WATERFIELD,
Offg. Civil Auditor.

To the Collector of South Arcot.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) H. WOOD, *Collector.*

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ORDER THEREON, 6th June 1861, No. 803.

The Talook Tappal establishments referred to in the above letter from the Collector of South Arcot fall under three different heads.

1st.—The establishment entertained and paid through the Postmaster General.

The expence of these is Rupees 176-6-2 per mensem, but they have drawn no pay since September last, and are thus now seven months in arrears. The Civil Auditor it seems has refused to pass the bills on account of this establishment because it has not been regularly sanctioned by the Government of India. The Postmaster General writes that application is about being made for the necessary sanction. Meanwhile the Collector apprehends, not without reason, that if payment be delayed longer, the runners will strike work altogether.

2nd.—The second establishment costs Rupees 112 per mensem, and has been entertained under Orders of this Government, 12th December 1857, in lieu of Police Peons who had previously been employed to carry the Talook Tappal, but whom it was necessary to withdraw to their own proper duties.

3rd.—The third establishment is at a charge of Rupees 158 per mensem, and has been entertained gradually in lieu of men withdrawn from Tappal service by the revision of the Revenue and Police Establishments consequent on the introduction of the new Police. The arrangement was sanctioned by Government, in their Order of 5th December last, Public Department, No. 1,751. This establishment is distinct from, and additional to, that entertained at Rupees 112 per mensem, under the sanction of 12th December 1857, although from no reference having been made to it by the Collector in his letter of 21st November 1860 some misunderstanding seems to have prevailed on the point.

2. Thus the total cost of the Talook Tappal for the district of South Arcot, as it now stands, is Rupees 176-6-2 + Rupees 112 + Rupees 158=Rupees 446-6-2 per mensem. This must be paid or the runners may be expected to cease working and the internal postal communication of the district will be suspended. The Civil Auditor is consequently requested to pass the sum with arrears from the date of last issue—Rupees 176-6-2—until orders are received from the Government of India in reply to Mr. Williams's reference [illegible] 112 + 158=Rupees 270 pending the revision of the District Dawk establishment by Mr. Pelly. It is desirable that Mr. Pelly should proceed as quickly as possible with this revision not only for South Arcot but for all other districts, that the matter may be finally sanctioned.

3. Resolved also that the Postmaster General be called on to explain why he has allowed so long a period, or from the month of September last, to elapse without procuring the necessary sanction from the Government of India.

(True Extract.)

Chief Secretary.

To the Civil Auditor.
,, Accountant General.
,, Collector of South Arcot.
To Mr. C. Pelly.
To the Revenue Department.
,, Postmaster General.

Exd. F. Cartledge.

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No 1168. 8th June.

Requiring the Civil Auditor to pass the Bills of the Collector of South Arcot in account of Six Postal Establishments until the receipt of orders from Govt of India in reply to Col Williamson's reference and pending the revision of the District Bench Establishments by Col Petty and desiring the latter Officer to proceed with the above revision as quickly as possible.

Written Order.

No 1168.

Ordered to be communicated to the Board of Revenue for information.—

Fort St George
8th June 1861.

J. D. S.

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