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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No. 281	Press ~~Mis.~~
239. 240	
Dated 12. 2. 1862.	

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Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department, 12th February 1862.

No. 239. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 18th December 1861, No. 7,075 :—

Read the following letter from J. D. ROBINSON, Esq., Collector of North Arcot, to W. HUDLESTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, Chepauk, dated Chittoor, 13th December 1861, No. 309 :—

SIR,

1. In their Proceedings dated 27th September 1861, No. 5,217, the Board observe that as the work in the Income Tax Department will be considerably reduced in the current year, they do not consider any addition to the existing Establishment necessary.

2. Deferring to the Board's decision in the case of the Ain Táluqs, I must yet respectfully solicit their re-consideration of my former proposition, so far at least as it relates to the magisterial divisions in the Zamíndári tracts.

3. There are, as the Board may recollect, seven such charges having Establishments on the two following scales :—Sub-Divisions of 1st and 2nd classes ; one Sub-Magistrate, two Gumáshtas, and two Peons ; and those of the 3rd and 4th classes, one Sub-Magistrate one Gumáshta, and two Peons.

4. These Sub-Magistrates although not themselves Assessors have much to do in connection with Income Tax operations, as the village servants being quite independent and acknowledging no authority but that of their own chief, the task of collecting the duties necessarily almost altogether devolves on their small Establishments. Nor can the Sub-Magistrates in the four divisions of Kalastri and Karvetenuger Zamíndáris look to the Deputy Collector in charge for any aid in Income Tax work, as that Officer has but three Deloyets, and his Establishment is otherwise barely equal to the discharge of its own regular duties. In such a state of matters, it is obviously hopeless to expect any improvement upon last year's operations in the Zamindaris, where the backward state of the collections more than once attracted the unfavorable notice of the Board and Government ; and I therefore earnestly trust that so far as these tracts are concerned, my present appeal for aid to the extent recommended in the accompanying modified statement* may meet with a favorable reception.

Vide enclosure No. 1.

* No. 2.

5. In the anticipation of a favorable answer, I have made provision in my Budget estimate for 1862-63 for the charges of such an additional Establishment.

Ordered to be submitted for the sanction of Government.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON, *Secretary.*

No. 240. ORDER THEREON, 12th February 1862, No. 281.

† Rupees 2,208 per annum.

1. The Government sanction the collecting Establishments† proposed for the Zamíndári tracts of North Arcot.

2. These servants will have nothing to do with the assessment of the tax.

(Signed) C. G. MASTER,
Deputy Secretary to Government.

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I have &c.

Signed J. D. Robinson
Collector.

North Arcot,
Collector's Kacheri,
Chittoor, 13th Decr. 1861.

Ordered to be submitted for
the sanction of Government.

(A true Copy and Extract)

Secretary.

No 2

To
J. D. Sim Esq.
Secretary to Government R. D.

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Proceedings of the
Board of Revenue

Dated 17th
Desp. 17 } December 1861
Rec. 10th

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No 7075

Submits for the sanction of Govt a letter from the Collr of N. Arcot submitting a modified Statement shewing the Estts required for the Income tax Deptt as far as the Zemindary Tracts are concerned.

Fort St George 17th December 1862

Read Letter from Collr of N. Arcot dated 8th Inst No 455

Ordered, that the Statement be returned for the information of the Collr

(signed) W. Wittman
Secy

No 281 Dt 12th Feb 1863

Wittman Order

No 281 Dt 281.

The Government

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Fort St George
12th Feby 1863

14 Copies to the Bd of Rev. with
3 Decr Encls 3 Civil Dayrs 2 Encls Dispr 13

The rates of revenue is high viz 8 per cent but there is no help for it as we have no village officers to aid us in the work.