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Public Works DEPARTMENT.

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
23rd February 1864.*

No. 324. Read the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue :—

Submitting with remarks letter from the Collector of the
Godavery District, forwarding four Statements regarding
the compensation due for lands taken up by channels and
embankments in the District. } (Here enter 4th December 1863, No. 7,630.)

No. 325. ORDER THEREON, 23rd February 1864, No. 325.

1. The foregoing correspondence relates to the compensation due to Inámdars and other proprietors of land in the Godavery District for land taken up on account of channels and embankments and other purposes in connection with the Anicut.

2. The total amount payable up to the end of Fusly 1272, as compensation is stated at Rupees 1,19,916-3-6, and for the disbursement of this sum sanction is now requested.

3. The subjoined Statement shows the extent of land which has been occupied for this purpose, with the assessment thereon, and the progress which has been made in assigning in lieu other lands of equivalent value. As reported*

* Vide G. O. 23th June 1859, No. 859, Revenue Department. on a former occasion the compensation due to each Inámdar is the assessment which he would have received from the actual cultivator, and this must be continued as long as he is out of possession of his land, or until he is provided with other land instead.

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	Land occupied for channels and embankments.			Of which settled by exchanges.				Remaining to be exchanged.			Compensation payable up to Fusly 1272.
	Extent.		Assessment.	Actually occupied.		Given in lieu.	Extent.		Assessment.		
	A. G. A.	Rs. A. P.		A. G. A.	Rs. A. P.	A. G. A.	Extent.				
A Land taken up before 1265	2,923 11 15	11,695 7 5		...	...	...	...	A. G. A.	Rs. A. P.		
	...	...	(a) Extent arranged for as per G. O. 28th June 1859, No. 859	900 8 3	3,119 8 8	685 10 1	...	...	...		
	...	...	(b) Extent subsequently arranged and now requiring sanction	848 37 6	2,928 13 10	720 20 1	...	...	...		
B Land taken up between Fuslies 1265 and 1269	2,867 37 1	10,416 5 5		1,749 5 9	6,048 6 6	1,405 30 1	...	1,174 6 6	5,617 0 11	41,337 2 8	
	...	...	(c) Extent arranged and now requiring sanction	...	...	...	...	...	...		
	...	...	(d) Jeroyai	170 19 1	573 3 4	170 21 4	...	2,697 18 0	9,843 2 1	76,315 10 10	
C Land taken up in the village of Dowlaiswaram before it became the property of Government, vide G. O. 23rd July 1863, No. 1,568, R. D. and previous correspondence.	144 6 6	445 14 5	(e) Inam	...	...	...	...	...	...	891 12 10	
	105 30 15	386 2 4		...	...	...	...	105 30 15	386 2 4	772 4 8	
	6,041 6 5	22,913 13 7	Deduct extent already sanctioned (a) Add miscellaneous items 4 and 5 in Statement C.	1,919 24 10	6,621 9 10	1,576 11 5	...	3,977 15 5	15,876 5 4	1,19,316 15 0	
	...	...		900 8 3	...	685 10 1	...	...	...	134 6 0	
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4. When the last report was made (Extract Minutes Consultation 9th September 1857, No. 917,) it was calculated that Acres 2,950-27-1, assessed at Rupees 11,572-15-4, had been so occupied up to the end of Fusly 1264, and compensation was sanctioned accordingly up to the end of Fusly 1265. (Extract Minutes Consultation 28th June 1859, No. 859, Revenue Department). Of the extent abovementioned only 900 Acres had been made good by the grant of land of equal value.

5. The present report shows that on further investigation the land referred to in the preceding paragraph proves to be rather less* in extent than at first supposed, though with an assessment somewhat higher†. Of this a further extent of 848 Acres has been compensated for by the bestowal of 720 Acres of land bearing an equivalent assessment, but there still remains uncompensated for an area of 1,174 Acres assessed at Rupees 5,617, and on account of this extent for the years from Fuslies 1266—1272 inclusive, the sum of Rupees 41,337-2-8 is due to the proprietors.

6. In addition to this the present report shows that between Fuslies 1265 and 1269, including a small extent occupied previously, there have been taken up Acres 2,867-37-1 assessed at Rupees 10,416-5-5 of which 170 Acres only have been compensated for by the bestowal of land in lieu; and that the assessment of Rupees 9,843-2-1 due on the remaining Acres 2,697-18-0 has to be annually made good to the Inámdars to whom the sum of Rupees 76,315-10-10 up to the end of Fusly 1272 is now due.

7. The Collector reports that more land was taken up in Fusly 1269, but that it has not been entered in the Statements in consequence of the non-receipt of the necessary information. He does not state whether any further extent has been occupied in the three succeeding years.

8. The land taken up for public purposes in the village of Dowlaiswaram is not included in the above. From the correspondence which preceded the G.O. marginally noted, it appears that before the village in question was made over to Government by the Pittapur Zemindar in exchange for the Government villages of Uppada and Aminbada the land noted in the margin had been so taken up, the value of the Jeroyati land being due to the Zemindar who had annually remitted to the Ryots the assessment thereon; compensation up to the end of Fusly 1270 has been already paid. The Collector now asks for permission to disburse the assessment due for Fuslies 1271 and 1272. In the case of the Jeroyati land no further payment will hereafter be necessary, as the village became the property of Government from the commencement of Fusly 1273. As to the Inám no effort seems to have been made to give land in exchange though it was stated in paragraph 4 of the Board's Proceedings, dated 10th February 1862, No. 929, that other lands could be assigned in the same village.

9. Compensation is also asked on account of the items marginally specified and which, added to the amount described in the preceding paragraphs make up the total sum of Rupees 1,19,916-8-6, for the disbursement of which His Excellency in Council now accords his sanction. The grant of Acres 891-1-5 as per margin in lieu of Acres 1,019-16-7 of land taken up is also confirmed. In disbursing the large sum now awarded as compensation care must be taken that it reaches the hands of those for whom it is intended.

10. The Governor in Council observes that up to the present time 6,000 Acres of Inám or proprietary land assessed at (in round,

	Rs.	A.	P.
Due for Fuslies 1267 and 1268 during which the holder has been kept out of the land measuring 31-7-4 assessed at Rupees 67-3-0 occupied by Sea Custom House and roads at Cocanada 6 A. 25 C. 8 V. of land of equal value having been given in lieu in Fusly 1269	134	6	0
Due to the Proprietor of the Palevalu Estate being the value of trees cut down for the use of the Public Works Department	465	3	6
	599	9	6
Paragraph 5	41,337	2	8
" 6	76,315	10	10
" 8	1,664	1	6
" 9	599	9	6
	1,19,916	8	6
Paragraph 5	720	20	1
" 6	170	21	4
	891	1	5

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numbers) 23,000 Rupees have been occupied in the Godavery District in connection with the irrigation works, and that 4,000 Acres of this extent with an annual assessment of 16,000 Rupees still remain a burden to the State, the latter sum having annually to be disbursed to the Inámdars. This state of things has in a great measure been caused by the system or rather want of system, which has prevailed in the Godavery District in this respect and which the Board rightly characterize as "productive of much inconvenience and expense."

Extract Minutes Consultation, 13th March
1851, No. 293.

11. Ten years ago in regard to this very District the Government directed that the Local Revenue and Public Works authorities should so arrange that any claims to compensation arising from this cause should be at once investigated and settled, and the Collector was specially enjoined to see that all such claims were promptly attended to. How little these injunctions have been obeyed may be judged of from the fact that the Government are now for the first time called upon to pay compensation for land (*vide* Statement B) some of which was occupied as far back as 1815-46 (1255) additions having been made every year since up to 1859-60 (1269.)

12. The Government are now committed, the Board observe, "to an indefinite annual payment" for these lands, and as long as the Inámdars can so easily obtain in cash the income which they formerly derived in a more precarious manner from the soil, it is obvious that they will be in no hurry to move in the matter. In consequence of the increased value of land in the Delta, Jeroyai land is not available to give in exchange. The Board therefore recommend that these annual payments should be terminated either, (1), by substituting grants of waste land or, (2), assignments of the revenues from occupied land or, (3), by remissions of Peshkush or assessment on the Zemindaries or Puttah holdings of the parties concerned or, (4), by purchasing the individual right once for all and so redeeming the annual charge.

13. It is very desirable that some steps should be taken without delay for coming to a final decision on this point. The Government cannot lay down any fixed rule, but it will be the Collector's duty to make such recommendation in each case as may seem most suitable. The Board will issue instructions accordingly. The enquiry should be entrusted to one Officer whose report should be reviewed by the Collector and forwarded as soon as possible through the Board for the orders of Government. The Collector should be informed that the Governor in Council views with the utmost dissatisfaction the course pursued in the Godavery District by his predecessors in respect to these claims, and expects a final disposal of them, and any similar cases which may have occurred, at the earliest possible date.

14. The Board have omitted to state how far the charges now sanctioned have been provided for in the Budget. The requisite information should be furnished.

15. The Governor in Council desires that the Board will instruct each Collector to submit to them, immediately after the close of each official year, a Statement of the extent of Zemindary, Inám, Ryotwary and other private lands, &c., taken up for public purposes and for which compensation has not been paid to the owners. The Statement should show the date of acquisition, the Talook in which the land is situated, its extent and supposed or ascertained value; the work for which it was taken up and the mode of acquisition, whether by private agreement or under Act VI of 1857. These returns will enable the Board to ensure lands being legally acquired, and compensation promptly paid.

16. The Board will draw the attention of Collectors to paragraph 5* of Extract Minutes Consultation, 13th July 1855, No. 817, Revenue Department.
(True Extract.)

* D. P. W., C. O. Book, page 176.

L. P. W.
Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue.

„ Accountant General.

„ Civil Paymaster.

„ Department Public Works.

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2. As this sum of Rs. 1,20,000 is intended for compensation to be paid for lands taken up by irrigation & navigable canals, I consider it necessary to enter this amount as 60,000 Rs. under each of these two Budget heads. An addition to a similar extent has consequently been made by me to part IV. for the Godavery Distt. forwarded today.

3. No provision is made in the current year's Budget for compensation for lands taken up in the Godavery District.

I have the honor to be
Sir,

Your Most Obedient Servant

W. Chambers Esq. P.E.
Superintending Engineer

W. C.

Received of the
Superintending Engineer
for the Godavery District
the sum of Rs. 1,20,000
on account of compensation
for lands taken up by
irrigation & navigable
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the sum of Rs. 1,20,000
on account of compensation
for lands taken up by
irrigation & navigable
canals.

No 1923.

Official Memo 11B

Encls 2.1
Letter
Memo of
Works.

Referring to the endorsement made by the Secretary to Government on the Original letter herewith returned of the Superintending Engineer 1st Division, No 1675, of 13th November 1863, the Undersigned has the honor to forward herewith a Memorandum showing the names of works for which the lands referred to were taken up. it will be observed that the lands now to be paid for were taken up years before the Code was elaborated.

Supg Engr's Office
1st Division
14th Dec 1863

Ob. Chankell Capt. R.E.
Superintending Engineer

To Colonel C. A. Pitt R.E.
Secy to Govt. D.P.W.
Madras.

Ed. Ramaswamy
Manager

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Recd of Engr for 14th Nov 1863

The Supg Engineer
1st Division

To

The Secy to Govt.

Madras.

Recd of Engr for 14th Nov 1863

Recd of Engr for 14th Nov 1863

Encls 1.

Requests that the

may be given up

part of the Engr's Budget

for the 12,000 for the

for lands taken up

under Enclaves 8th

in the Engr's Office.

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The Superintending Engineer

1st Division requested to report the particular

works on which for which the lands

referred to, were taken up - under

para 12 Chapter V of the New Code,

every Estimate should include some

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Dear Mr. Prime,
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 Chairman and the
 General Public.

Public Work Dept

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No 636

Proceedings of the Madras Government
Under date the 3rd March 1864
Read the following

papers

From the Sup^r Engineer 1st Divⁿ

Requests that a plan may be given in part with of the Godavery Budget (Here enter 12 November 1865) for Rs. 120000 for compensation to be paid for lands taken up under channels for in the Godavery District.

Godavery District.
From _____ To _____
Returns an Original letter of the _____
Here under 14 December 1863
no 1922

From _____ Do _____
Returns an Original Letter of the
Supt Engineer together with a Mem.
showing the names of works for which the
lands were taken up in the Forestry Dept.

Recd of Govt. Revenue Sept.

Office orders on the Books of the Board of Revenue relative to the compensation due to the proprietors of land in the Goleen District for land taken up on account of channels and embankments and other purposes in connection with the Anicut.

(Here enter 23rd February 1864 No 25)

The foregoing Proceeds in the Revenue Dept.

The foregoing Proceedings
in the Revenue Dept.
will be communicated
to the Superintending
Engineer 1st Division
with reference to his
letters Nos 1675 & 1922
dated 12 November
and 14 December 1863
respectively recorded above.

To the S. E. 1. Doc with one inclosure,

Sept 4th March.

[Handwritten signature]

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Wm. of South Street

Sept 26.

of No. 10 North Street

21st March 1834

11th 1834

No. 1802 Regent's
order on the No. of the Board of
petition to the abridgement of the
Landed Estates Proprietary
Land in the County of Middlesex
from Land taken up on account
of Channel and Landward
other purposes in connection
with the Canal.

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