

PROCEEDINGS OF THE BOARD OF REVENUE, dated 1st October 1880.

Read again the following papers:—

Letter from the Collector of North Arcot, dated 30th October 1878,	No. 348.
Board's Official Memorandum, „ 28th March 1879,	„ 379.
Letter from the Collector of North Arcot, „ 6th April „	„ 120.
Board's Official Memorandum, „ 24th September „	„ 1,663.

Read also the following letter from W. S. WHITESIDE, Esq., Collector of North Arcot, to C. A. GALTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Punganúr, 12th August 1880, No. 323:—

I HAVE the honor to explain *seriatim* the several points referred to in the Board's Official Memorandum, dated 24th September last, No. 1,663, on the subject of compensation due to the Rajah of Kálahasti for lands taken up for roads in his estate.

(1.) Under the head "Waste" in the revised Statement A submitted with my letter, dated 30th October 1878, No. 348, are included all unoccupied assessed lands and under the head "Poramboke" such unassessed waste lands which, though entered as Poramboke in the accounts, are not lands set apart for public purposes, such as house-sites, channels, and the like, but are lands available for cultivation at some future period. Though "Poramboke" is ordinarily understood to mean unassessed land reserved for the public purposes named above, yet unassessed cultivable waste is generally entered as Poramboke in the revenue accounts. I can assure the Board that compensation has not been recommended by me for "Poramboke lands" of the former kind.

(2.) The assessment on the Poramboke lands has been calculated on the average of the rates prevailing in the adjoining assessed lands and the Poramboke has been classed as wet and dry according as the adjoining lands are wet and dry respectively.

(3.) The reason why in some cases the rate allowed for Poramboke land exceeds that allowed for the corresponding class of cultivable land is that in those cases the adjoining lands bear (but in very few cases, perhaps only one) high rates, the average of which exceeds that allowed for the corresponding class of cultivable land, which is often surrounded by fields assessed at several varying rates, the average of which represents a moderate or low rate. The local officers have certified that the rates fixed for "Poramboke lands" have been carefully calculated with reference to the assessment of the adjoining fields.

(4.) I regret that through oversight compensation has been allowed in the statements submitted by me at half the total assessment of the entire area of waste and Poramboke lands instead of at half the assessment of the *cultivable* lands or one-fourth of the assessment of the total area.

(5.) I am satisfied, after careful inquiry, that the annual value of the lands lost to the Rajah has been correctly calculated. The rates of Rs. 28 and 26 per acre of wet lands observed by the Board as being very high in paragraph 2 of the official memorandum under reply do not represent the rates struck on the highest assessment but on the average assessment actually collected by the Rajah for a number of years. It is far from uncommon that, in the Zemindari tracts, the rates of assessment are generally far in excess of those prevailing in the Government taluks.

(6.) Referring to Board's remarks in paragraph 3 of the memorandum, I beg to point out that the interest allowed in Column 7 of the revised Statement C is not five years' interest for Fasli 1283 to 1287 but represents the difference between the total amount of interest from Fasli 1275 to 1287 and the amount (interest from Fasli 1275 to 1282) entered in Column 7 of the revised Statement B (*vide* note in the Remarks column of the revised Statement C).

2. The delay in the submission of this report was unavoidable as the accounts of about 100 villages of the Zemindari had to be thoroughly examined in view to ascertain that the rates allowed for Poramboke lands are correct and that those entered for cultivable lands have been fixed on the average assessment actually collected by the Rajah for a number of years. The heavy work entailed by the annual jamabandi also interfered very considerably with the scrutiny of the papers connected with this matter.

THE above papers, which relate to the settlement of claims to compensation for lands taken up for public purposes in the Zemindari of Kálahasti, in the North Arcot District, will be submitted to Government with reference to paragraph 3 of their Order, dated 1st September 1877, No. 2,621.

2. The Board agree with the Collector in considering that the Zemindar's claim to compensation for the lands taken up for the road from Madras to Nellore is barred by the Law of Limitation as the road was at any rate constructed previous to the year 1856 though the exact date cannot now be ascertained and the claim was only preferred in 1867.

3. With reference to Clause 6, paragraph 1, of the Collector's last letter read above, the Board observe that the Zemindar is entitled to interest on the amount due for the lands taken up for widening the roads in the Chingleput District only from the date of their acquisition, viz., Fasli 1283, and not from Fasli 1277 as assumed by the Collector. The necessary corrections have been made in the Statements B and C on this account and also with reference to Clause 4, paragraph 1, of the Collector's letter above mentioned.

4. The following abstract shows the proposed reduction in the peishcush of the Zemindari and the lump payments to be made to the Zemindar on account of his loss of revenue for past years and the value of certain trees and buildings on the lands taken up:—

Name of the Work.	Reduction of Peishcush.	Amount due on account of past year's profits.	Interest.	Value of Trees and Buildings.	Interest.	Total of Columns 3 to 6.
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.	RS. A. P.
1. Road from Kálahasti to Tirupati Railway Station..	362 10 7	4,714 9 7	1,980 2 1	..	..	6,694 11 8
2. Road from Yerpedu to Venkatagiri ..	1,090 7 2	11,994 14 10	4,318 2 5	87 8 0	57 12 0	16,458 5 7
3. Road from Kálahasti to Náyudupet ..	1,359 13 2	17,677 11 2	7,424 10 11	40 0 0	31 3 2	25,173 9 3
4. Road from Nágálápuram as far as the high road leading from Nellore via Sathiaved ..	48 5 8	565 11 0	228 2 4	..	..	793 13 4
5. Road from Sathiaved as far as the Nellore High Road ..	94 14 8	1,176 2 8	485 5 2	..	..	1,661 7 10
6. Road from Oottoocottiah to Ponnéri ..	21 13 7	196 7 7	58 14 5	32 0 0	17 4 5	304 10 5
Total ..	2,978 0 10	36,325 8 10	14,495 5 8	159 8 0	106 3 7	51,086 10 1
Deduct interest on Rs. 2,978-0-10 for Faslis 1285, 1286, and 1287 ..	..	..	536 0 9	..	..	536 0 9
	2,978 0 10	36,325 8 10	13,959 4 11	159 8 0	106 3 7	50,550 9 4

5. The Board approve the principles on which the compensation has been settled and accordingly request the sanction of Government for the reduction of the peishcush of the Zemindari by Rs. 2,978-0-10 and for the disbursement of the compensation amounting to Rs. 50,550-9-4, of which Rs. 50,284-13-9, being the loss of past year's assessments with interest, are debitable to Land Revenue as a refund on the principle enunciated in G.O., dated 25th November 1875, No. 1,690, and the remainder,

Rs. 265-11-7, being the value of the trees and buildings on the lands with interest, should be paid from Provincial Funds. The present peishcush of the estate being Rs. 1,76,790-2-9 the future peishcush will be Rs. 1,73,812-1-11.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) C. A. GALTON,
Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, with copies of letters from Collector of North Arcot, dated 30th October 1878, and 6th April 1879, Nos. 348 and 129, respectively; Board's Official Memorandum, dated 28th March and 24th September 1879, Nos. 379 and 1,663, respectively; and ten original statements in G. R. No. 10,086 to be returned.

Copy to the Collector of North Arcot,
with copy of G.O., 25th November 1875, No. 1,690.

Exd. A. S. Rodgers.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

21st February 1881, No. 339.

READ THE FOLLOWING PAPERS:—

No. 317. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 1st October 1880, No. 1,435.

ABSTRACT.—Submitting to Government letters from Collector regarding settlement of claims to compensation for lands taken up for public purposes in Kálahasti Zemindari, North Arcot District.

No. 318. Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 28th January 1881, Miscellaneous No. 893.

Read the following letter from W. S. WHITESIDE, Esq., Collector of North Arcot, to C. A. GALTON, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated Chittoor, 21st December 1880, No. 488.

In acknowledging the receipt of the Board's Proceedings, dated 10th instant, Miscellaneous No. 13,643, I have the honor to state that, agreeably to the Order of Government, dated 25th October 1879, the sum of Rs. 45,000 therein referred to was credited in favor of the Rajah of Kálahasti towards the adjustment of arrears due by him for Fasli 1286.

SUBMITTED to Government with reference to their official memorandum, dated 29th November 1880, No. 349.

2. The sum of Rs. 50,550-9-4, for the disbursement of which the sanction of Government was solicited in paragraph 5 of the Board's Proceedings, dated 1st October 1880, No. 1,435, is the total amount of compensation settled for the loss of past year's profits and the value of trees and buildings on the land, but the amount remaining to be actually paid to the Zemindar is only Rs. 5,550-9-4 (50,550-9-4 — 45,000). The fact that Rs. 45,000 had already been actually paid was overlooked. The Board, however, think that the necessary adjustment should now be made in the accounts by debiting the whole sum of Rs. 50,284-13-9, the compensation on account of past year's proceeds, to Imperial Refunds on the principle enunciated in G.O., dated 25th November 1875, No. 1,690, and by crediting Provincial Funds with Rs. 45,000, the amount already sanctioned therefrom (*vide* G.Os., dated 5th November 1879, No. 2,769-W., and 14th February 1880, No. 178) minus Rs. 265-11-7, the value of trees, &c., which has to be paid from that source.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) E. GIBSON,
for Secretary.

No. 319. ORDER THEREON, 21st February 1881, No. 339.

Land Revenue, No. 22.

THE reduction of peshkash by Rs. 2,978-0-10 as proposed is sanctioned.

2. Rs. 50,284-13-9, being the amount of compensation for loss of past year's profits, will be debited to Imperial

1880.
Board of Revenue,
MADRAS.

THE SECRETARY TO GOVT.,
REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Dated October 1st.

Printed 16th.

Received

PROCEEDINGS, 1ST OCTOBER 1880, No. 1,435.

OCTOBER.
No. 1,435.

Compensation—for lands taken up for public purposes in Kálahasti Zemindari, North Arcot District.—Submitting to Government letters from Collector regarding settlement of claims to —

Revenues as a Land Revenue refund, and Rs. 45,000 being credited to Provincial Funds, the balance, viz., Rs. 5,284-13-9, will be paid over to the Zemindar.

3. Orders will be passed in the Public Works Department for the disbursement of Rs. 265-11-7 from Provincial Funds on account of the value of trees and buildings.

4. It is noted that the roads in question were laid out before the institution of the District Local Fund.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Board of Revenue, with ten original statements returned.
• „ the Public Works Department.
• „ the Financial Department.
• „ the Accountant-General.

Exd. A. F. Goodall.

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REVENUE.

To

THE BOARD OF REVENUE,
&c., &c., &c.

669 Rs
No. 12 dated 12th March 1887.

The sum of Rupees 266 is
appropriated from the Provincial
Reserve of 1880-81 on account
of Compensation for trees and
buildings taken up from the
Zemindar of Kalahasti in
the North Arcot Division

Signed J.P.

Dated February 21st.

Printed March 3rd.

Recd.

Encl.

G.O., 21st February 1881, No. 339.

FEBRUARY.
Nos. 317-319.

SUBJECT.

Peshkash reduction and money compensation
for past year's loss of profits on account of lands
taken up for public purposes in Kalahasti Zemin-
dari, North Arcot District.—Granting sanction
for reduction of peshkash by Rs. 2,978-0-10
as proposed by the Board of Revenue; directing
with remark that Rs. 5,284-13-9 be paid over
to the Zemindar; and requesting that orders be
passed in the Public Works Department for
the disbursement of Rs. 265-11-7 from Provincial
Funds on account of the value of trees and build-
ings.

J.E. 2nd Circle
Ex. P.W. &
Rev. Deptt
Rev. Board.