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9. I think that Rs. 200 may be accepted for this extra land for the Zemindar's interest, as it is almost similar to the strip of land referred to in paragraph 5, and the price thus to be paid for the land (166 acres and 12 cents in extent) to the Court of Wards on behalf of the minor Zemindar at the rate of Rs. 200 an acre amounts to

Rs. 33,224 plus Rs. 1,500, the price of the odai trees standing on the land (No. 1), 1,500 cart-loads at Re. 1 per cart-load, and Rs. 105 on account of the price of the avenue trees standing on the road; thus making a total of Rs. 34,829.

10. In addition to the above sum to be paid for the Zemindar's interest in the land, a sum of Rs. 6,523-0-3 should be paid as compensation to the ryots whom it is necessary to oust as shown below:—

	RS.	A.	P.	RS.	A.	P.
I. On account of the trees, wells, houses and huts on the land (No. 2)—						
Cocoanut trees, 824 in full bearing, at Rs. 3 a tree	2,502	0	0			
Cocoanut trees, 563 not bearing, at Rs. 2 a tree	1,126	0	0			
Palmyrah trees, 65 in full bearing, at Rs. 3 a tree	195	0	0			
Palmyrah trees, 218 not bearing, at Rs. 1 a tree	218	0	0			
Palmyrah trees, 471 young trees, at Rs. 40 per 1,000	18	13	0			
Lime trees, 31, at Rs. 20 each	620	0	0			
Margosa, 2, at Rs. 3-8-0 each	7	0	0			
Tamarind and other sundry trees at the various rates prevailing in the villages	90	0	0			
Value of 24 wells, viz., Rs. 700 for 10, Rs. 350 for 10, and Rs. 150 for 4	1,200	0	0			
Value of one tomb	15	0	0			
Two terraced houses, at Rs. 200 each	400	0	0			
Ten huts, at Rs. 5 each	50	0	0			
				6,441	13	0
II. On account of the cost incurred in reclaiming and preparing land for dry cultivation (No. 3) at Rs. 20 per acre	81	3	3			
				81	3	3
Total ...	6,523	0	3			

11. The Company will have thus to pay for the extra land a sum of Rs. 41,352-0-3.

12. In determining the compensation to be paid for the tenants, the prices prevailing in the village, the ordinary cost of the buildings and the opinion of certain arbitrators chosen for the purpose, were carefully taken into consideration, and I think that the compensation determined on is reasonable.

13. The proposed alteration in the alignment of the canal does not interfere with any other right or rights of way, than those affected by the canal as originally aligned, and I see no objection to the grant of the lands referred to in paragraphs 4 and 8 *supra*—price, terms and conditions as previously agreed. But the Company request that they may be empowered to take other lands in addition or substitution at same price and on same terms as the original grant. I think it is inadvisable in the interests of the Zemindar to give any undertaking regarding the price of the land to be applied for hereafter, as it depends much on the nature of the land that may be required.

Endorsement by the Collector of Madura, dated Madura, 5th June 1885, No. 113.

Submitted * to the Court of Wards with reference to their Proceedings, dated 9th March 1885, No. 795. The undersigned fully agrees in the proposals made by the manager.

* With four enclosures, in original.

(Signed) C. S. CROLE,
Collector.

ENCLOSURES Nos. 1 AND 2.—Statements.

ENCLOSURES Nos. 3 AND 4.—Plans.

RESOLUTION—dated 23rd June 1885, No. 1876.

In their Proceedings, dated 9th March 1885, No. 795, the Court of Wards expressed their willingness to grant such fresh land as might be required for the proposed deviation in alignment of the Ramesvaram ship canal and called upon the Collector to report whether the price, terms and conditions already agreed upon might stand good in respect of the fresh grant.

2. From the report now furnished by the Collector, it appears that for the canal, as now aligned, 249 acres and 17 cents. are required for the interest in which of Zemindar and tenant at the previously accepted rate of Rs. 200 per acre, it is proposed that the Company shall pay Rs. 63,672-1-10 as marginally noted.

Zemindar's interest, including price of trees	RS.	A.	P.	
...	52,030	0	0	
Tenant's interest, including compensation for trees and wells	11,642	1	10	
Total	63,672	1	10	

3. In addition to this extent of land, the Company have an option of taking a breadth of 100 yards on each side of the canal, the area of which has been ascertained to be 166 acres 12 cents., the cost of acquiring which at the previously-accepted rates will amount to a further sum of Rs. 41,352-0-3 inclusive of ryots' compensation.

4. The Court of Wards see no reason to alter the acreage rate, and are of opinion that the Collector's compensation proposals are fair to all parties concerned; they therefore authorize the Collector to inform Messrs. Grindrod, Jenkins and Co. that they are prepared, on behalf of their ward, to hand over the land on payment by them of the sums noted above.

5. They concur with the Collector that the acquisition of any fresh lands must form the subject of a separate agreement.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signature)

Acting Sub-Secretary.

To the Collector of Madura, with four enclosures, returned.

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Exd. W. J. Lewis.

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