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24TH DECEMBER 1892, No. 1294, REVENUE.

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.
REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

Read—the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), dated 17th November 1892, No. 660:—

Read—again the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), dated 1st December 1891, Mis. No. 8519:—

Read—the following letter from C. KOUGH, Esq., Collector of Kurnool, to the Secretary to the Commissioners of Land Revenue, dated Kurnool, 20th December 1890, No. 4656:—

I have the honour to address the Board on the subject of the permanent head-quarters of the Cumbum Divisional officer and Tahsildar.

2. Since July 1889 (Proceedings of Board, Mis. No. 4215, dated 12th July 1889), these officers have been located at Mundlapad as selected by the Board and sanctioned by Government.

3. Government Order of 13th March 1888, No. 213, Revenue, having prescribed that "any place selected should be tried experimentally before expensive buildings are constructed," I assume that the period of probation may now be fairly considered to have expired. It is certainly not desirable that public business should continue to be carried on and records and prisoners kept in buildings such as are now being used for the purpose.

4. I would therefore solicit the favour of orders being issued in the Public Works Department for preparation of the necessary estimates, which should include the making of the short road from the village to the Railway station. This is a famine road and being now merely a track and almost impassable during wet weather constitutes the one great obstacle of inaccessibility.

5. The Board will observe that I suggest no change of locality because it appears to me, upon perusing the orders on the subject, that the selection of Mundlapad has been authoritatively determined subject only to the health-test, and against this I have nothing to say.

6. Nor have I any reason to wish the quarters elsewhere. I am aware that Mundlapad is not popular with the officials concerned, but this is only natural owing to its present circumstances as a small and somewhat isolated village. The feeling will doubtless disappear when there is a good road covering the few miles intervening to rail communication and comfortable offices and residences and when the tide of importance following all this begins to set into the locality.

Resolution—dated 1st December 1891, Mis. No. 8519.

The Board considers it still premature to treat the question of the head-quarters of the Cumbum division as finally settled. It would like to learn the results of the experiments of locating the Sub-Registrar's office at Ravipad first, and the Collector will therefore be requested to report again on the matter after the lapse of a year.

(A true Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) H. A. SIM,
Acting Secretary.

To the Collector of Kurnool.

Read—also the following letter from C. KOUGH, Esq., Collector of Kurnool, to the Secretary to the Commissioners of Land Revenue, dated Kurnool, 30th September 1892, No. 6837:—

By Board's Proceedings, dated 1st December 1891, Mis. No. 8519, I was directed to report, after the lapse of a year, on the matter of the head-quarters of the Cumbum division in connection with the success or otherwise of the location of the Sub-Registrar at Ravipad.

2. I have the honour, however, to ask permission, instead of waiting for this period, to make now a proposition to fix the Deputy Collector's head-quarters at Márkápur town.

3. This town, owing to the Railway, is now quite as accessible as any portion of the Cumbum taluk for the division generally. It is a very healthy place and has been vastly improved by work done there during the recent scarcity; amongst other things there is now an excellent road to the station.

4. Further a new Munsif's Court and a Taluk Cutcherry on the standard plan are built quite recently on a fine site and there is plenty of space in the vicinity of these for an office for the Deputy Collector. The effect of having all these new public offices close together would be very good.

5. I firmly believe that this proposition is about the best that can be made for the division, and I hope the Board will be pleased to accord its sanction to it and direct the early preparation of plans and estimate.

6. To keep the office any longer, especially after the heavy rains we have had, at a miserable place like Mundlapad is very objectionable. There is not even a decent house rentable. The records are subject to damage by weather and termites, and only the other day I was applied to for permission to erect a thatched shed to do the work in.

7. As to the Tahsildar's head-quarters, I propose to defer the consideration of this with reference to the Board's order above quoted. I am not, however, hopeful of being able to speak in favour of Ravipad.

Read—also the following letter from C. KOUGH, Esq., Collector of Kurnool, to the Secretary to the Commissioners of Land Revenue, dated Kurnool, 2nd November 1892, No. 7441:—

In continuation of my letter, No. 6837, dated 30th September last, I have the honour to inform the Board that in the village of Ravipad, from 1st January last to 30th ultimo, out of a population of 2,216, 91 deaths occurred from cholera and 44 from fever, the Sub-Registrar himself being a victim to the former disease.

2. Possibly under these circumstances the Board may consider this as a reply (although a little before date) to its Proceedings, Mis. No. 8519, dated 1st December 1891.

3. I may add that I have just been in the Cumbum division and that all the officials I have spoken to are very averse to the idea of this village being selected as a head-quarter and that they are equally in favour of Márkápur.

Resolution—dated 17th November 1892, No. 660.

The papers read above will be submitted for the orders of Government.

2. In G.O., dated 29th June 1889, No. 542, Government accepted the Board's recommendation that the head-quarters of the Cumbum taluk and division in the Kurnool district be moved to the village of Mundlapad. Government, however, having, in G.O., dated 13th March 1888, No. 213 (Revenue), which directed the abandonment of the town of Cumbum as the head-quarters of officers of any department, ordered that any place selected for the divisional and taluk head-quarters

"should be tried experimentally" before expensive buildings were constructed, two houses were rented at Mundlapad and the Taluk and Divisional offices located therein as a temporary measure.

3. In his letter embodied in Board's Proceedings, dated 1st December 1891, Mis. No. 8519, read above, the Collector reported that the "period of probation" prescribed for testing the healthiness of Mundlapad might fairly be considered to have expired, and as he had nothing to say against the healthiness of the place, he suggested that orders might be issued in the Public Works Department for the preparation of estimates for new office buildings in the village. The Board considered it premature to treat the question of the head-quarters of the Cumbum division as finally settled, and wishing to learn the results of the experiment of locating a Sub-Registrar's office at Ravipad, one of the villages selected for taluk head-quarters by Surgeon-Major King, the District Sanitary officer, requested the Collector to report again on the matter after the lapse of a year.

4. In the second paper read above, Mr. Kough proposes to fix the head-quarters of the Division Deputy Collector at Márkápur, the cusbah of the second taluk comprising the division, and expresses his firm belief that this proposition is the best that could be made for the division. The Board, on careful consideration, concurs in the present views of the Collector. There is no reason for choosing the Cumbum taluk in preference to the Márkápur taluk for the location of the Divisional officer's head-quarters. The railway now runs through both the taluks and the town of Márkápur is on the line, being only a couple of miles from the Railway station of the same name with which it is connected by an excellent road just completed. The town is well situated for administrative purposes, being fairly in the centre of the charge. The place is healthy and Surgeon-Major King, in his memorandum embodied at page 16 of Board's Proceedings, No. 218, dated 23rd March 1889, strongly recommended it as a suitable place for the head-quarters of the Divisional officer. The Acting First Member of the Board, who paid several visits to it last year in connection with the late distress, has no hesitation in recommending Márkápur as the best head-quarters for the division. He has also visited Mundlapad and is of opinion that it has nothing to recommend it except its healthiness. The place, no doubt, is near the line of rail but is otherwise very badly situated, being in a corner of the Cumbum taluk and about 30 miles from the nearest point of the Márkápur taluk. The Collector also condemns Mundlapad as a "miserable place" where a decent house is not rentable.

5. In the third paper read above, Mr. Kough gives statistics showing that Ravipad, the village about which the Board wished to learn something more, is by no means a healthy place and says that its selection as head-quarters would be unpopular.

6. For the reasons stated in paragraph 4 *supra*, the Board begs to recommend that the town of Márkápur may be fixed as the head-quarters of the Deputy Collector of the Cumbum division and to request that Government will be pleased to issue orders in the Public Works Department for the preparation of the necessary estimates for a Deputy Collector's office at that place.

7. The Board presumes that the Collector will report further regarding the location of the Tahsildar of Cumbum, as he seems to object to both Mundlapad and Ravipad.

(True Copies and Extract.)

(Signed)

W. S. MEYER,
Acting Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department.
Collector of Kurnool.

ORDER—dated 24th December 1892, No. 1294, Revenue.

Miscellaneous.

The Board's recommendation in paragraph 6 of its Proceedings read above is approved. Orders will be issued in the Public Works Department for the preparation of plans and estimates for a Deputy Collector's office at Márkápúr.

2. The further report regarding the location of the Tahsildar of Cumbum is awaited.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) C. A. GALTON,
Secretary to Government.

To the Commissioners of Land Revenue.
„ the Public Works Department.

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required estimates.

By G. S. W.
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DECEMBER.

Head-quarters.

The recommendation of the Board of Revenue
that Mārkapur be fixed as the — of the Cum-
bum Deputy Collector, approved, and the Public
Works Department requested to issue orders for
the preparation of plans and estimates for a
Deputy Collector's office at Mārkapur.

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