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REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Land Revenue), dated 1st June 1893, No. 293:—

Resolution—dated 1st June 1893, No. 293.

With reference to the papers quoted in the margin, the Board begs to submit, for the approval of Government, draft of a Manual relating to the powers and duties of village officers.

Government Order, dated 23rd July 1883, Mis. No. 4301.
Government Order, dated 9th March 1892, No. 241, Revenue.
Board's Proceedings, dated 28th April 1893, Mis. No. 2641.

2. Under the notification printed in Government Order, dated 29th June 1891, No. 589, candidates for the office of karnam, as well as of munsif and monigar, are required to pass, among other subjects, in the one dealing with the powers and duties of village officers. The draft Manual, now submitted, has, therefore, been so prepared that it may serve the above purpose for all the three classes of officers concerned.

3. As will be seen from the table of contents, the Manual consists of 5 * parts, each part being made as short and simple as possible, and brought up to date. The Board considers that it cannot be further shortened without impairing its usefulness.

- * I. Introductory position, &c., of village officers.
- II. Civil.
- III. Police and magisterial.
- IV. Collection of revenue.
- V. Miscellaneous, dealing with 42 subjects.

4. It will be observed that, throughout the Manual, no authorities in the shape of Government Orders, Board's Proceedings, &c., on which the instructions therein contained are based, have been quoted. As village officers will not be furnished with the authorities, it has been considered a waste of space to insert them in the compilation. An index showing the authority or authorities on which each paragraph in the Manual is based has, however, been prepared, and a copy of it is submitted for the information of Government. It will be useful for future reference when the Manual has to be revised, or errata slips issued.

5. To make the Manual complete in itself, it is desirable to attach the marginally-noted Regulations and Acts as appendices. Regulations V and XII of 1816, and Act VIII of 1840, are of little practical utility, and it seems, therefore, unnecessary to include them.

- 1. Regulation XI of 1816.
- 2. Do. IV of 1821.
- 3. Act I of 1889.

The several sections of Regulations XI of 1816 and IV of 1821 have been arranged in their appropriate places in part III of the Manual (Police and Magisterial), and an abstract of the Acts and Regulations relating to civil suits has been given in Part II (Civil) so that their provisions may be easily understood by village munsifs.

8TH AUGUST 1893, No. 713, REVENUE.

6. The Board begs to add that if Government approves of the draft Manual, instructions may be issued to the Government Translators for its translation into the several vernaculars of the Presidency.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) R. C. C. CARR,
Acting Secretary.

To the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department,
with a draft copy of the Manual.

ORDER—dated 8th August 1893, No. 713, Revenue.

Miscellaneous.

The Government approves of the draft Manual submitted by the Board of Revenue and agrees in the views expressed

in paragraphs 3, 4 and 5 of its Proceedings read above.

2. A second volume of the Manual will, however, be published when the chapters on sanitation, treatment of diseases, &c., now under preparation in accordance with the orders contained in G.O., Mis. No. 2019, dated 2nd June 1893, are complete, and the words "volume I" should accordingly be printed on the title page and cover of the present work. The price of the book should also be printed as suggested by the Secretary of State in the despatch read in G.O., No. 425, Public, dated 21st March 1887, communicated under G.O., Revenue, No. 1965, Mis., dated the 29th idem.

3. As desired in paragraph 6 of the Board's Proceedings, the Government Translators will be requested to have the Manual translated into the four chief vernaculars of the Presidency. Copies of the book should be forwarded by the Board direct to these officers.

(True Extract.)

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

To the Commissioners of Land Revenue.

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Village Officers.

Approving of the draft Manual submitted by the Board of Revenue relating to the powers and duties of —, and requesting the Government Translators to have the Manual translated into the four chief vernaculars of the Presidency.