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GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

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Read—the following G.O., No. 5, Revenue, dated 5th January 1897 :—

Read—Proceedings of the Board of Revenue (Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture), dated 16th December 1896, No. 440.

Order—No. 5, Revenue, dated 5th January 1897.

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2. The Government is not prepared to ask the Government of India for a reconsideration of those orders before they have actually been tried.

(True Extract.)

(Signed) LIONEL DAVIDSON,
for Acting Secretary to Government.

To the Board of Revenue (Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture).

Resolution—dated 25th January 1897, No. 59.

Communicated to the Collector of Ganjam for information and guidance.

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(True Copy and Extract.)

(Signed) R. V. SRINIVASIAH,
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To the Collector of Ganjam.

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ORDER—No. 98, Revenue, dated 16th February 1897.

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To the Board of Revenue (Revenue Settlement).
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