

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Political DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No. 311	Press Mis
Dated 14. 5.	1858.

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Fort Saint George, Political Consultation, 18th May 1858.

Read the following Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in the Revenue Department under date the 22nd April 1858, No. 514.

Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 29th March 1858, No. 1115.

No. 3. From B. CUNLIFFE, Esq., Collector of Madras and Register of Government Grants; to G. S. FORBES, Esq., Secretary to the Board of Revenue, dated 25th February 1858, No. 34.

SIR,

I beg to forward as directed by the Board in communicating Extract Minutes of Consultation, 23rd June 1857, No. 629, a list of grants now extant of those issued for a period of 99 years, at Madras, and in the Provinces up to 1829, since which, grants in the Provinces ceased to be issued by this Office, and at Madras the Title from Government has been conveyed in the form of Certificate prepared by the Advocate General in 1828.

2. In my letter to the Board, 9th October 1855, I stated the number of these grants to be 905, the list above mentioned prepared after some trouble by the Register's Department gives them at 1047, as particularized below :

Grants extant in Madras.....	544
Do. for portions of which Certificates have been issued.....	75
Grants in the Provinces.....	428
	<u>1047</u>

3. The Board have shown in their letter to Government, 2nd June 1857, that the periodical fines were purposely relinquished by Government in 1834, a fact, of which a five minutes' visit to this Office, would have informed the Government Agent, and if the first grant was issued in 1774, there is ample time for deliberation as to reversionary rights.

Resolved that the foregoing letter, with the enclosed list of Grants issued both at Madras and in the Provinces since the year 1774, be submitted for the information of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council, with reference to the instructions conveyed in para: 7, Extract Minutes Consultation, 5th May 1857, No. 415, Revenue Department.

2. The Board remark that the list now submitted to Government together with the precis by the Deputy Secretary to Government, of the Records referring to these grants, comprise the whole of the information now extant upon this subject.

3. It has been already noticed in the Board's letter, dated 2nd June 1857, that the claims of Government to a fine at the expiry of every 30 years, has been formally relinquished.

4. The fine payable according to law on the expiry of the earliest of these Leases will fall due (A. D. 1873,) and should the law on this point be at that period unchanged, the rights of Government in respect of this fine, or of resumption will be secure under its provisions, nor does it appear possible to anticipate in any way the questions which may then arise. The Board observe however that this has been declared by Government in the case of a recent grant at Negapatam to M. St. Hilaire that the resumption of such land was not contemplated.

(Signed) G. S. FORBES,
Secretary.

requested

Fort Saint George, Political Consultation, 18th May 1858.

Ordered that the above Proceedings and the papers accompanying be forwarded to the Political Department, with reference to an Extract from the Minutes of Consultation in that Department, dated 21st April 1857, No. 304.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) H. FORBES,

Acting Secretary to Government.

No. 4. ORDER THEREON, No. 311; dated 14th May 1858.

Resolved, that copies of the foregoing papers and of the previous correspondence on the subject of the existing Leases for 99 years granted for building purposes be furnished to the Honorable Company's Solicitor for his information, and that he be desired to obtain from the Chepauk Agent the list of similar grants held by the Carnatic Sircar, which, by Extract Minute of Consultation, 21st April 1857, No. 304, he was requested to submit to Government direct, and state whether any thing is required to be done in the matter of these grants.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,

Chief Secretary.

Exd. J. A. Wilson.

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Political Letter to Douglass
Sept 11 - 1822

James Smith

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in 1876 to June 1878, and
Richard. 1880-Sept 18

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Enclosed are Extracts from
the 1st & 2^d of the Board of Town
assessing and certain
remnants of letters from the
Collector of Indras and
the Commissioner of
the Division of the
District of Indras and in
the Commissioned since the
Year 1794.

See 1994

24 May 1961

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JF

To the H. C. Solicitor with a list of Grants? Despd. 20th

Spent Agent at Chepauk - Despd. 19th

may
the Collection of the 1/2 of the Enclosure sent to the Grant
take note of the
return for the Office
of 14 April

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Official letter to the
 of the 15th 1872
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