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Fort Saint George, Political Consultation, 12th October 1858.

No. 32. From H. D. PHILLIPS, Esq., Commissioner of Tanjore; to T. PY-CROFT, Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Fort Saint George, dated 29th September 1858, No. 321.

SIR,

Para: 1. In conformity with the instructions of Government communicated to me in the Minutes of Consultation, dated 7th Instant, No. 582, I have the honor to submit in the usual Tabular form, the arrangements, including the Establishment of a first Class District Moonsiff's Court, sanctioned from the date of the Fort of Tanjore and its adjacent tract being brought under the Madras Regulations.

2. I have also, it will be observed, included in these arrangements, one to which my previous communications have not referred. I allude to a monthly addition of Rs. 20 to the salary of the Head of Police, ex-officio Thasildar of Trivady, the Talook which comprises within its limits, the area hitherto excepted from the operations of the Madras Code.

3. The increase to the Police jurisdiction of this functionary will be large. His Revenue duties have been very materially augmented since the Mocassa Vil-lages* of the late Rajah came under management by Government Officers, but his allowances, notwithstanding much extra labor and responsibility, have remained at their original standard. At present that the work thrown on him as the Superior Police Officer of the Talook, is of a permanent character, I submit that a favorable opportunity is afforded for raising his salary from 120 to 140 Rs.

Government...	3,97,403	4. The latter pay is, I believe, assigned in many Districts to the Thasildars of their more important divisions, but none, I apprehend, exceed in importance that of Trivady, whose Bariz on an average of ten years is Rs. 3,97,403-0-0, and whose population is not less than 162,479 Souls.
Mocassa.....	54,534	
	4,51,937	

5. It may perhaps be objected that a point of this kind should have been brought forward in the Revenue Department, and such is the course I should have taken, had it not seemed to me to be preferable now and here to moot it, in order that the Government might have before it in this communication, the entire subject of the new arrangements necessary in Tanjore.

6. I am directed to report what Scavenger Establishment should permanently be entertained, at the Public cost. This subject, I feel, is a very difficult one to discuss knowing, as I do, that under the present financial emergency, the most rigid economy should be observed in the expenditure of every Department of the State.

7. I also feel, however, that the change in the condition of the inhabitants of the Town of Tanjore and its vicinity and the many lasting advantages which have resulted to the Government from the extinction of the Raj, are circumstances that will fully justify the controlling authorities in securing to the people in the Fort, all the local comforts which they have enjoyed under the late Ruler and his predecessor.

40 Scavengers...	140	0	0	8. At present, as the Government are aware, Forty Scavengers are employed at a monthly cost of Rs. 148. Twenty of these are Sweepers and Cleaners of the drains of the Town. The other twenty are the Drivers of the 20 Carts used in the removal of what has to be carried outside the Walls of the Town. But the Carts and the Bullocks which drag them, are the property of the late Rajah and ought not, I apprehend, to be used for Scavenger work when once the new Act has been brought into operation. During the life time of the late Prince drafts from the Bullock Stables were always allowed for cleansing purposes, so that their recent application to similar labor has been no innovation. Repairs to the Carts have been executed, too, up to the present time in the "Emarut" Department of the Palace where they were formerly made.
1 Maistry...	8	0	0	
Rs...	148	0	0	

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9. The Government therefore would seem called on now to sanction, not only the entertainment of Scavenger laborers, but also to authorize a supply, whether purchased or hired, of Bullocks and Carts, without which the laborers will be unable to do what is wanted.

10. The system of drainage secured to the inhabitants of the Tanjore Town by the liberality and kindness of the late Rajah, is extremely good and very extensive. The main streets have a brick in chunam drain on each side, the levels having been carefully ascertained before their construction. The less important streets and minor thorough-fares have generally only one drain, which is of the same character and plan as those on the principal lines of communication. At appropriate spots the Rajah constructed brick in chunam reservoirs for the reception, until carted away, of the sweepings of the interior of the houses. These are daily cleared out and water when and where necessary is drawn from wells to wash out the drains which empty themselves into the wet part of the ditch outside the Fort Walls.

11. During the last few years a small Cess has been collected to complete in lanes and the by-streets, such drains as the Rajah had not caused to be constructed. The Raj Officers are not clear whether the tax has been paid voluntarily or on compulsion. Its amount was at first 3 pice monthly on each house, but more recently it rose to 8 pice, and that is the figure at which it has of late stood. But its realization is not systematic and I find no warrant for its original imposition however just and judicious may have been its object. It appears to have yielded about Rs. 120 a month, but details are wanting and I fear that much of it has been misapplied by the Durbar Subordinates.

12. Several complaints have been made to me of the arbitrary manner on which it was occasionally levied and I am free to confess that had other means been available as a substitute for the Tax, I should have required the Raj Officers to abandon it at once. Its relinquishment will follow as a matter of course when Act XXXII of 1858 comes into operation. I apprehend it should be succeeded by the House Tax leviable under the provisions of the Tanjore Police House Tax Law, Regulation I of 1816, but on this point I beg to solicit the instructions of Government.

13. A portion of the old Cess has ordinarily been rendered available, I am informed, for the payment of Pariah Coolies to aid in cleansing the drains in the narrow streets and lanes which Carts could not enter, as well as the larger drains when necessity called for their assistance. These men were not employed as a Permanent Establishment, but received daily hire. Indeed, with the advantage of the fixed allowances sanctioned* by the
* 13th June 1857, No. 455. Government last year, it has been found difficult to keep men of this class regularly at their work. Their habits cause them to absent themselves from their duty for days together after receiving their monthly allowance and the certainty of dismissal as a consequence, is insufficient to check the practice, even in these times when rice is selling at famine rates.

14. A late Census gives the number of houses within the Fort at 4,473 and on a rough calculation the proceeds of the Police House Tax will be Rs. 600 a year.

15. The length of the Streets in the Fort, including those in which there is only one drain, I calculate at about eight miles. The gain to the Revenue by the imposition of the House Tax legalised in 1816 would consequently be but a small part of the outlay which it seems necessary to incur for keeping up the Scavenging system that has so long prevailed in Tanjore. But it will not be forgotten that the extinction of the Raj relieves the State from the disbursement of one-fifth of the Net Revenues of the Province of which Tanjore is the principal Town.

16. I would suggest that in order to continue to the Tanjorines living in the Fort the advantages conceded to them by the indulgent consideration of their late Ruler, I be permitted to retain as Scavengers or Sweepers 20 men on 3½ Rs. a month; that a monthly sum equal to the aggregate salaries of these 20 men be sanctioned for general Scavenger purposes and that I further be authorized to arrange for the monthly hire of 20 Carts and 20 pairs of Bullocks with Drivers at not more than 15 Rs. per Cart per mensem to be used in substitution for the Cart-aid hitherto received from the Durbar Cattle Establishment.

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17. In explanation of the term "general Scavenger purposes," I would state that in some of the drains which run under the Fort Walls, it is at times necessary to use boys to clear away obstacles caused by rain or otherwise, that the same necessity at times arises in some of the drains in the Town itself owing among other reasons to their having been covered in. A few feet of plastering might at once demand attention and repair or bricks should be adjusted to prevent the side of the drain falling in, &c., &c. All these being petty jobs for which no funds will be available so soon as the Raj jurisdiction has ceased to exist, it would answer no good end to specify numerous other probabilities to meet which funds are necessary.

18. Ordinary or important repairs to drains would of course form an addition to the present duties of the Public Work Department, but it would seem to be scarcely proper to call on its Officers to do petty trivial works which should be done directly, a necessity becomes apparent and which will occasionally cost from one to two Rupees, and should be classed as drainage "Saderward" outlay. The Scavenger Establishment and Saderward which I beg then to propose for sanction is monthly thus :—

20 Scavenger Coolies each at 3½.....Rs.	70	0	0
1 Maistry.....	8	0	0
20 Carts and Bullocks with Drivers each at 15 „	300	0	0
Miscellaneous Scavenger Saderward.....	70	0	0
	Rs...	548	0 0

The proposed imposition of the Police House Tax expected, no Revenue changes are effected in respect of which orders from Government or the Board of Revenue seems to be necessary.

No. 33. ORDER THEREON, No. 666; dated 9th October 1858.

The Government have already in Extract Minutes of Consultation of the 7th Ultimo, No. 582, sanctioned the Police arrangements proposed by the Commissioner of Tanjore in his letter, dated the 24th July 1857, No. 199. These involve a temporary charge of Rupees 30-0-0, and a permanent expense of Rupees 539-8-0 per mensem, as shown in the margin. In the arrangements now submitted, as regards the Police Establishment, the Commissioner has included an addition of Rupees (20) Twenty to the salary of the Head of Police and Tahsildar of the Trivady Talook, which comprises within its limits the tract hitherto excepted from the operation of the Madras Regulations. For the reasons stated in paras : 3 and 4 of his letter, the Government approve of the pay of this Officer being raised from 120 to 140 Rupees per mensem, and will recommend the same for the sanction of the Supreme Government.			
Temporary.			
Nagaree Police Ameen,..... Rupees	30	0	0
Permanent.			
Police Ameen of Tanjore, Pay			
raised from 35 to 60 Rupees.....	25	0	0
Cutwal... ..	17	8	0
3 Daffadars at 7 Rupees each....	21	0	0
6 Naicks 5 „ „ ...	30	0	0
120 Peons 3½ „ „ ...	420	0	0
4 Tomtom Beaters, 3½ Rups. each.	14	0	0
1 Conacopillay „	5	0	0
1 Goomastah „	7	0	0
Total Rs.	539	8	0

2. In para : 6 to the end of his letter the Commissioner explains the system of drainage secured to the Inhabitants of the Town of Tanjore by the liberality of the late Rajah, and adverts to the collection of a small Cess during the last few years for effecting such improvements as had not been undertaken by the Rajah. Mr. Phillips states that he can find no Warrant for the original imposition of this Cess, which yielded about Rupees 120 a month; but that its relinquishment will follow as a matter of course when Act No. XXXII of 1858 comes into operation. He apprehends it should be succeeded by the House Tax leviable under the provisions of the Regulation I of 1816 for Police purposes in the Province of Tanjore, but on this point he solicits the instructions of Government. The question will be referred to the Revenue Department for consideration, together with the above Extract from the Commissioner's letter.

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3. Meanwhile the Governor in Council resolves to sanction, subject to the confirmation of the Government of India, the Scavenger Establishment, which in paras : 16 and 18, it is proposed, should be permanently entertained at the Public cost, viz.,

1 Maistry	Rupees	8	0	0
20 Scavenger Coolies at 3½ Rupees each... ..	„	70	0	0
20 Carts and Bullocks with Drivers at 15 Rupees each... ..	„	300	0	0
Saderward... ..	„	70	0	0
Total Rs.		448	0	0

the last item being intended to provide for General Scavenger purposes as explained in para : 17. The monthly expenditure on account of the above Establishment will, it is observed, be Rupees 448, and not Rupees 548 as entered in the last para : of the Commissioner's letter.

4. The Government under date the 4th Instant, No. 1367, in the Judicial Department, sanctioned the Establishment for the Court of the District Moonsiff of Tanjore, subject to the confirmation of the Supreme Government, and the Act No. XXXII of 1858, for bringing the Fort of Tanjore and the adjacent Territory under the Laws of this Presidency was declared to take effect from the 1st of November next.

5. The attention of the Commissioner is called to para : 2 of Extract Minutes of Consultation, dated the 8th July last, No. 430, and he is requested to furnish at an early date the information therein required regarding the amount of the Stipend or Allowances of any kind now paid to the Members of the Tanjore family, as well as the total amount of Pensions payable to the Servants of each Department of the Tanjore Raj.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. J. A. Wilson.

Year	Revenue			Charges			Total		Net
	Ordinary	Extra	Ordinary	Ordinary	Extra	Ordinary	Revenue	Charges	
1855/56	55,391	8,548	872,324	372,070	56,459	11,843	44,406	44,406	0
1856/57	55,391	8,548	998,118	161,863	55,835	11,547	44,279	44,279	0
1857/58	55,391	8,548	1,539,922	296,479	55,067	14,468	40,863	40,863	0
1858/59	55,391	8,548	736,684	215,149	54,433	9,518	44,905	44,905	0

Nature of Charge

Present scale		Proposed scale	
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Police Establishment		Police Establishment	
Head of Police	120	Head of Police and Tahsildar of Travancore	140
and Tahsildar of the Travancore		Tanjore Police Ameen	60
Gulab		Magary Police	30
Tanjore Police	35	Cutwal	17
Ameen		3 Quaffers at 7 1/2 Rs each	21
		6 Constables at 5 Rs each	30
		120 Peons at 3 1/2 Rs each	420
		4 Comtom Seales at 3 1/2 Rs each	14
		1 Cana capilly	5
		1 Gasmaster	7
Scavengers Establishment		Scavengers Establishment	
		1 Mistry	8
		20 Scavenger coolies at 3 1/2 Rs monthly	70
		20 carts and 40 bullocks with drivers	30
		Scavenger Sadeward for train	7
		repairs monthly	
Judicial Establishment		Judicial Establishment	
		First class District Munsif	200
		Establishment	70
		Lawyers	15
Total		Total	
		1478	

3. tract from Home Department of Government of India. Office to which the collection and budget of Tanjore is referred.

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(Rs. 20) Twenty to the salary
of the Board of Police and
Children of the County
Held. which comes
within its limits
the first article except
ed from the operation
of the Income Regulation
The Revenue stated
in para 3 of his letter
the 2nd approval of the
policy of this Office, being
raised from Rs. 100 to Rs. 150
per annum, & will remain

2. In para 10 to the
2nd of his letter the Com-
missioner explains the sys-
tem of drainage resorted
to the inhabitants of the
town of Bangalore by the
Charity of the late Rajah,
and alludes to the con-
struction of a small canal
during the last year.
granted for affording such
improvements as he had
not been enabled to do
by the Rajah. Mr Phillips
states

states that he can find
no warrant for the origi-
nal imposition of this
tax, which yielded
about Rs. 100 a month, &
but that its relinquish-
ment will follow save
a matter of course about
Act No XXXII of 1858 comes
into operation. He ap-
prehends it should be
succeeded by the House,
lay liable under the
provisions of the Regula-
tion 1 of 1810 for Police
purposes in the Province
of Bangalore but on this
point he solicits the
instructions of Govt. The
question will be refer-
red to the Revenue De-
partment for consid-
eration, together with the
above extract from the
Commissioner's letter.

3. Meanwhile the
Council in Council (a)
& before the Senate, sub-
-ject

Approved the same for the
Sanction of the Supreme
Government.

subject to the confirma-
tion of the Gov^t of India,
the Honorable British
-ment, which in June 1860
it is proposed should
be permanently establi-
-ed at the Madras Presi-

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The last item being in-
cluded to provide for
general business purposes
is explained in
para 17. The monthly
expenditure on account
of the above Establish-
ment will, it is observed,
be \$2,548.25 and not
\$2,548 as entered in
the last part of the Com-
missioner's letter.

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on allowances of any
kind

4. The said order, made the 4th August 1804 in the Judicial Department, sanctioned the Establishment for the Court of the District Judges of Benares, subject to the confirmation of the Supreme Court and the Act No XXXII of 1808 for bringing the Fort of Benares and the adjacent territory under the laws of this Presidency was declared to take effect from the 1st of November next.

5. The attention of the Commissioner is called to para 2 of Ex. Min. of Com. dated the 8th July last for 1880, and he is requested to furnish at an early date the information therein required regarding the amount of the ⁺stipend ^{now} paid to the members of the Vangore family, as well

well as the total amount
of pensions ~~repayment~~
payable to the servants
of the Government of
the Tanjore Raj.

Ordered that the
following be done as
permitted.

[Signature]

To the charge of the
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Mr. J. C. ...
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Mr. M. H.

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Dec 13 1858
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