

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Political DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	616	Press ~~Mis.~~
Dated	24-10-	1965-9

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*Proceedings of the Madras Government, Political Department,
from 22nd to 31st October 1859.*

No. 9. Read the following letter from P. GRANT Esq., Collector of Malabar; to T. PYCROFT Esq., Chief Secretary to Government, Political Department, Fort Saint George, dated Calicut, 3rd October 1859, No. 91.

In reply to the Proceedings of the Madras Government, and their order thereon, dated May 19th 1859, No. 312, I have the honor to inform you that I addressed the British Resident of Travancore on the subject of the supply of Tobacco at prime cost, to the inhabitants of Tangasherry, Anjengo, and the Cottadilly and Shertally lands, in view to the sentiments of the Travancore Government, as to the best mode of carrying out the suggestions of the British Government, being ascertained.

Dated 24th August 1859, No. 1628.

2. The wishes of the Travancore Government are expressed in the following paragraph: quoted at length from a letter addressed by the Dewan of that State to the British Resident.

"Since there appear difficulties to include the Town of Cochin in the experimental arrangement recently authorized by Government, I beg to submit, that I am of opinion, that the existing arrangements as to Tangasherry, Anjengo &c., may continue undisturbed, the Sirkar at present only desiring that the oft-repeated Orders of Government, prohibiting the importation of Tobacco at those stations, be strictly carried out by the Authorities concerned."

3. The restriction as to the sale of Tobacco in British Cochin, except by the Cochin State Authorities, is a step which (I conclude) Government will not feel inclined to listen to, and under these circumstances the existing arrangements must, I conceive, be permitted to hold good.

4. Tobacco smuggling in the British possessions in Travancore has of late been narrowly watched, and certain reprisals of the smuggled article have tended to check the illicit trade.

5. These active measures on the part of our Government may have tended, to induce the present determination of the Travancore Government, who perhaps feel that were they to undertake the supply of Tobacco on the terms proposed, they would require to entertain some extra establishment, without the prospect of any corresponding advantage greater than is now obtained through our co-operation.

6. Under these circumstances, I beg to recommend that the present arrangements with regard to Tangasherry and Anjengo be allowed to remain in force, until such time as their discontinuance is deemed advisable by our Government. Their revenues are rented out annually; the former for Rupees 2507, and the latter for Rupees 1450.

No. 10. ORDER THEREON, 24th October 1859, No. 616.

The Government, resolve to communicate the foregoing letter to the Resident of Travancore with reference to their Proceedings in this Department dated 30th July, 1859, No. 459, and to inform him that if the Sarkar continue averse to the adoption of the arrangement experimentally sanctioned under date 19th May last, unless the Port of Cochin be included in it—which as before observed is wholly out of the question—matters may remain as at present.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

Exd. W. J. Boyton.

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