

GOVERNMENT OF MADRAS.

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.

READ—the following letter from Sir E. C. BUCK, *Kt.*, c.s.i., Secretary to the Government of India, Revenue and Agricultural Department (Revenue), to the Secretary to the Government of Madras, Revenue Department, dated Simla, the 7th June 1892, No. 1117-129 :—

I am directed to acknowledge your letter, No. 2279, dated 5th May last, and to communicate the following remarks on the proposed designation of Messrs. Wynch and Benson as Deputy Director of the Department of Land Records and Deputy Director of the Department of Agriculture, respectively.

2. The titles conferred do not appear to be in consonance with the fact that only one department, that of Land Records and Agriculture, has been constituted. In the correspondence between the Government of India and the Government of Madras on the subject of “analytical accounts of districts,” and particularly in my letter, No. 199, dated 8th March 1887, the close dependence of agricultural enquiry upon land records was pointed out. Indeed, the main principle which the Government of India have persistently advocated in connection with Departments of Land Records and Agriculture is that the agricultural facts of a district or province cannot be satisfactorily collected or understood otherwise than through the records which are annually maintained of the statistics and circumstances relating to each field.

3. In this view His Excellency the Governor-General in Council would prefer that no such prominent divorce between the duties connected with agriculture and land records should be allowed to occur as might result from a division of the Department of Agriculture and Land Records into two separate departments. I am to suggest, therefore, that both Mr. Wynch and Mr. Benson should hold the gazetted title of Deputy Director of the Department of Land Records and Agriculture, and that if any subordinate distinction of title is considered essential, for convenience of correspondence or other reasons, it should be made under an executive order by using such terms as Agricultural branch, Land Record branch, or otherwise, as may seem desirable. This procedure would leave it open to the Director of the Department of Land Records and Agriculture to make such modification in a combination of the duties of the two officers as might from time to time be found convenient or desirable.

4. In some provinces it has been found advantageous to utilise officials whose primary duties are connected with the superintendence of farms, in the inspection of the field records not only because the inspection itself is of assistance in the administration of the land-records system, but also on account of the useful acquaintance with detailed agricultural facts and statistics gained by the inspecting officer for the purposes of his agricultural work. It might, therefore, be found inconvenient to prevent, by such a complete separation of “agriculture” from “land records” as is suggested in your letter, the discretion of the Director of the one department to utilise his subordinates in such a way as may be found most advantageous to its general interests.

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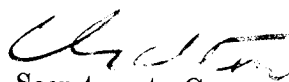
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His Excellency the Governor in Council, in conferring their present designations on Messrs. Wynch and Benson, never contemplated a division of the Department of Land Records and Agriculture into two separate departments, the distinction of title being intended merely for convenience of correspondence. As, however, the designations of the two officers in question are open to the objections urged by the Government of India, His Excellency the Governor in Council resolves to alter the same in the manner suggested in paragraph 3 of the Government of India's letter read above.

2. Messrs. Wynch and Benson will accordingly both be gazetted as Deputy Directors of the Department of Land Records and Agriculture, and their titles will be distinguished in correspondence by the addition of the words "Land Record branch" in Mr. Wynch's case and "Agricultural branch" in Mr. Benson's case.

3. The following letter will be addressed to the Government of India.

(True Extract.)


Secretary to Government.

To the Commissioner of Revenue Settlement, Land Records and Agriculture.

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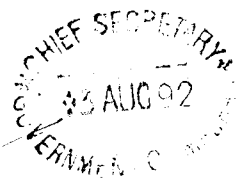
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Messrs. Wynch and Benson.

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