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G.O., No. 1495

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[Despatch Abstract.]

Informing the Board of Rev.
that no further action need be
taken in the matter of the land
required for Rifle Ranges for
Railway Volunteers at Suraman-
galam and Jolarpet until
the Govt. is approached through
the proper Channel.

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Revenue (1897) Department.

CURRENT No. 8508.

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From

The Board of Revenue
(Land Revenue).

Order MIs No. 5373.

No. 3658 MIs.

Transferred to the Public
Department.

Whitman & Co.
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Ag. Under Secy. to Govt.

Ootacamund,
15th October 1897.

Dated 29th September 1897.

Received 2nd October 1897.

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SUBJECT.

Submitting to Govt. for orders
letters from the Collector of Salem
regarding land required for Rifle
Ranges for Railway Volunteers at
Suramangalam and Jollarpet, Salem
Dt.

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Proceedings of the Board of Revenue

(Land Revenue).

No. 3658 his, dated 29th Sept: 1897.

Read again Board's Proceedings No. 2635 his, of 16th July 1897.

Read also letter from C. H. Mounsey Esq.,
Mag. Collector of Salem, of 13th September 1897,
Ref. No. 2017 Cur

Read also letter from the same officer
dated 13th September 1897. No 4805.

Resolution:

The foregoing letters from the
Collector of Salem on the question of selecting
new sites for the Rifle Ranges at Duramangalam and Jollapet are submitted
for the orders of Government.

1. The Board is of opinion that the present
Rifle Range at Duramangalam may, as
recommended by the Collector, continue to
be used on the same terms as hitherto,
viz, an payment of an annual rent of
Rs 6-12-11 to the Jaghirdar.

2. With reference to the Rifle Range at
Jollapet.

Marpet the Board, having regard to the present financial straits, considers that all reasonable requirements would be complied with by the acceptance of the modified proposals of the Deputy Collector referred to in para 2 of the Collector's letter No 2017^{cur}, dated 13th September 1897 also read above.

The demands of the Commandant, Madras Railway Volunteers, are for the present quite out of the question.

(True Extract.)

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Secretary

To the Secretary to Govt., R.D.,
with 2 letters in original, and
one Enclosure to be returned.

Copy to the Collector of Salem

His Excellency
the
governor.

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REFEE RANGES FOR VOLUNTEERS.

FOR ORDERS.

Article No. 436 of the A.R. I. pro-

-vides for the free grant by Government of ranges for volunteers.

The volunteers of the Salem detachment of the Madras Ry. volunteers had up to Oct. 1895, been

paying a rent for ~~their~~ their range, which is private property. Then the Commdt. found out this section and applied for a refund of the rent paid up to that time, since 1887.

The D.O. of the late C.S. marked **A** shows clearly what was done subsequently. The upshot was that in G.O. No. ¹²¹⁶ ~~1216~~ Public of 15/9/97 the Collector was told to ~~the Commdt.~~ tell the Commdt. to pay the rent pending receipt of orders from the military authorities.

In the present current the Board of revenue forwards two letters from the Collector of Salem.

In the first of these the Collector reports that the purchase of the new site selected by the military authorities would be about Rs 10,000; he therefore proposed to adapt the old site, at present condemned by the military authorities, and make it safe for use again.

However, the width of

land required under the present regulations is such that even this alteration of the old range is estimated to cost over Rs 5000.

He suggests that the minimum space required for a rifle range may be reduced in the case of Jollarpet, where the surroundings are such as to minimise the danger arising from the use of the land for the purpose of rifle practice.

In the second letter he says that the owner of the old range does not wish to part outright with the site of the range, but is quite willing to continue to let it to the volunteers for rifle practice.

The Collector further says that there is no suitable ground elsewhere for the range, and suggests that as "at present an annual payment of Rs 6:12;11 enables the volunteers to use the range, I am of opinion that this payment may be continued to be made from the same source that supplies the money when ranges are taken up on payment of compensation."

The Board in forwarding these letters agrees with the Collector that the rent should be paid as before for the range, and ^{say that} the acqui-

-sition of the Jollarpet range is out of the question in the present financial crisis, and recommends that the old ~~am~~ range be adapted, as suggested in ~~am~~ para. 5 of the Collector's letter of Sept. 13th.

The Board appear to have misunderstood the Collector's letter, which is not quite clear. But the meaning of ~~then~~ para. 2. (last part)

~~is that~~ is that the alteration of the old range would cost over Rs 5000.

~~It is submitted that it is submitted~~

Had this fact been clearly understood by the Board, they would not have, it is submitted, given this scheme even the qualified approval which they have done in their letter.

It is submitted that this whole correspondence is irregular.

Whatever the requirements of the Commdt. of the volunteers were in regard to a range, they should have been submitted through the proper military authorities (D.A.G.)

The matter is, it is submitted, not within the competence of the Board to decide. No Civil authorities can be supposed to be capable of forming an opinion about the comparative merits of different rifle ranges, as is done in the present proceedings of the Board (paras. 2 & 3).

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Papers to be read in proceedings :--

Again G.O., No. 1206^{1/2} dated 15th Sept 1897

Again G.O., No. , dated 189 .

Current No. 3958 of 1897, dated 15th Oct, from The Rev. Dept

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