Revenue Department

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Fort Saint George, Revenue Consultation of 24th November 1857.

No. 3. Read the following letter from J. D. SIM, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Board of Revenue; to H. FORBES, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government; Revenue Department, dated Fort Saint George; 8th October 1857, No. 3287.

Sir,

With reference to the order of Government contained in para. 3 of Extract Minutes of Consultation No. 482 dated 10th May 1856, I am desired by the Board of Revenue to forward the accompanying Map of the talooks of Goorumcondah, Muddumpully and Royachoty, which has been obtained from the Chief Engineer who submits a bill amounting to Rupees seventy as the work was done by contract, owing to the Draftsmen of his office being fully employed on other work.

From Chief Engineer, 15th September in Cons. 8th October 1857.

No. 4. ORDER THEREON, No. 1177; dated 18th November 1857.

1. With this letter the Board of Revenue submit a Map of the talooks of Goorumcondah, Muddumpully, and Royachoty, in pursuance of the requisition contained in an order of Government dated 10th May 1856.

2. In that order the Government required merely a "tracing or sketch," showing as "accurately as possible" the three talooks in question, with the positions of their respective Cusbahs, to enable them to decide on a change which they had in view in the size of two of the talooks and which they had suggested for the Collector's consideration in their previous resolution of the 26th November 1855. The Government did not contemplate that the "tracing or sketch" they had required for a temporary purpose, and which they had hoped would have been submitted in a few days for the decision of a pressing question, would have been submitted after so long a time in the shape of an elaborate Map drawn up in the Chief Engineer's office at considerable expense.

3. The Map is encumbered with details useless to the purpose for which it was called for, and this, added to its unwieldy size, has rendered a reference to it more inconvenient and difficult than a bare sketch within moderate limits such as was required, would have occasioned. As regards the expense incurred in the preparation of the Map, the Government can find no authority for its being executed by contract in the Chief Engineer's office, and until further informed they must decline to pass the charge.

4. In Extract Minutes of Consultation 26th November 1855, the Government noticed that a neck of the Royachoty talook nearly bisected the Goorumcondah talook, and they suggested that this latter talook should be divided into two talooks, and that part of Royachoty, as present jutting into it, should be added to the easternmost of the two divisions, while the portion of Goorumcondah stretching far up north, should be added to the new Cuddree talook. The Collector of Cuddapah, in his letter of the 20th March 1856, urged various objections to the proposed alteration, and the Government, in Extract Minutes of Consultation 10th May 1856, expressed themselves unwilling to press it further, in opposition to the Collector's views; they however retained the subject under consideration, and it cannot be finally disposed of until the sketch that has been called for is received; all that is required is an outline of the three talooks, with the position of their Cusbahs, and two or three other large towns. In the Map now sent, the boundary of the Muddunpally talook is apparently not marked at all.

(Signed) H. FORBES,
Acting Secretary to Government.

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Dated Coolly 1770

From
J. D. Sims Esq
To the Secretary to the Board of Revenue
Fort St George

Sir
I have the honor to enclose for the information of the Board of Revenue a Copy of a Letter from the Collector of Tanjore dated the 10th May last, with a Copy of the Accounts of the Receipts and Disbursements of the Treasury at that Station for the Month of April last, and I have to request you will lay the same before the Board of Revenue at their next Meeting

I am Sir
Your most obedient
humble Servant
J. D. Sims

Extract from the Journal of Proceedings

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