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Revenue Department

Minutes of Consultations

15th Dec 1857

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Fort Saint George, Revenue Consultation of 15th December 1857.

No. 49. Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue; dated 9th June 1857, No. 1982.

* In Cons. 9th June 1857. 15th November 1856,* forwarding a sketch map shewing the division of the district anew into 7 talooks with a revised list of establishment, for both the Hoozoor and the talooks.

(Here enter No. 160.)

† In Cons. 9th June 1857. 26th February 1857† urging the necessity of a Sibbendy corps on the withdrawal of the regular troops from the frontier talooks.

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With the first of the foregoing letters Mr. Fraser submits a Moyenzabitah or list of establishment revised in the manner pointed out in Extract Minutes Consultation 24th September 1856, No. 1029, Revenue Department. The list of establishment at first proposed by the local authorities involved an increase of charge amounting to Rupees 64,962 per annum or 60½ per cent. on the present expenditure. In reviewing that list Government were in favor of liberal salaries, and thought that the rates proposed by Mr. Fraser, though liberal, were not extravagantly so. The salaries put down for Tahsildars were not considered at all too high. The aggregate proposed charge however involved, it was observed, a very large increase and a very high per centage on the revenue as compared with the neighbouring and other Zillahs. The reason was traced to the small size of the talooks and Government accordingly direct that the subject should be further considered with reference to this circumstance and a new arrangement made.

2. These injunctions have been attended to in the proposition of the Acting Collector under submission, but the aggregate proposed expenditure is still very high. The total charge now proposed amounts to Rupees 1,56,900 which is Rupees 46,118-4-0 in excess of what is at present incurred.

3. In the remodelling of the talooks, Mr. Fraser proposes to have 7 instead of 12 talooks, which is the present number. The 3 talooks of Juggiahpet, Nundegam and Bezoarah are to be formed into two talooks, the Vyair and the Moomiyair from the junction of the Vyair constituting the boundary between them. The Police of the Walloor Zemindary will be added to Bezoarah, while that of the Chataray and Vizaroye Purganahs will be included in the present Tiroovoor talook a sub-officer being appointed to aid the Head of Police. A Police officer on a liberal salary to be fixed at a central point and assisted at a convenient locality by a sub-officer also liberally paid, will have the supervision of the other portions of the Noozeed Zemindary, except the Maidoor Purganah which is included in the Sallapully Police charge. Bunder, Deevy and Sallapully will form one charge, with a separate Head of Police for the town of Bunder. These,

† 15th November 1856, in Cons. 9th June 1857.

	Rs.
Bunder.....	2,29,904.
Gooduvadah.....	1,55,770.
Ellore.....	1,49,692.
Pentapaud.....	2,46,608.
Bezoarah.....	1,37,965.
Nundegam.....	1,05,411.
Tiroovoor.....	53,340.
Noozeed.....	63,952 altogether Zemindary.

with other changes enumerated in para. 2 of the Acting Collector's letter,† from the new distribution of talooks. Each talook Mr. Fraser says will have an average rental of about Rupees 1,15,000 and will comprize an average area of about 625 square miles. The rentals however are as shewn in the margin.‡ The talook areas, will also probably be found to vary. Including the Police division in the Noozeed Zemindary, to be called the Noozeed talook, there will be 8 sub-divisions or talooks. The present Heads of Police in Zemindaries on small salaries will be altogether discontinued.

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4. Such is the newly proposed apportionment of the district into distinct minor charges, but some re-arrangement of talook boundaries has yet to be made, and
** Dated 15th Nov. 1856, in it is also proposed to exchange with Rajahmundry certain conterminous villages, as explained in para. 4 of the Acting Collector's letter.**
Cons. 9th June 1857.

5. The additional charge involved in the proposed revision of the establishment, is Rupees 46,118-4-0 per annum as already stated, which is composed of

	Rs.	A.	P.
Revenue,	32,072	4	0
Magisterial,	14,046	0	0

Statement A which accompanies the letter from the Acting Collector exhibits the particulars of the increase, and Statement C shews the scale of salaries of Tahsildars and their Subordinate Establishments. It will be seen on reference to the latter document, that 3 Tahsildars are to receive Rupees 150 per mensem, and that the salaries of the other four are fixed at Rupees 125 per mensem. The last mentioned rate is proposed for the Head of Police of the Noozed talook and Rupees 80 for the Officer of that grade in the town of Bunder. The efficiency of the talook administration is further provided for by the appointment of Deputy Tahsildars, with an Assistant Javabnaves and Goomastah attached to each. Rupees 50 per mensem is the allotted stipend of the Deputy Tahsildar. Pentapaud, the largest of the talooks, is to have two officers of this class. Mr. Fraser (para. 5) would station the Deputy Tahsildar at some distance from the Tahsilohar, and give him, within a certain range, the powers of an Ameen of Police, so as to preclude the necessity of any one travelling more than 12 to 14 miles in the prosecution of any criminal charge. It is proposed to have 70 Zillahdars on salaries of Rupees 20 and Rupees 15 each per mensem, the present number of servants of this class being 80 and their salaries averaging something below Rupees 9. The Revenue Duffadars are to be increased from 11, involving a monthly charge of Rupees 56, to 13, each to receive Rupees 8 per mensem, and making an aggregate monthly charge of Rupees 104. The Revenue Peons are to be raised, both in number and pay, as follows:

	Persons.	Rs.	A.	P.
Present,	210	727	8	0 per mensem.
Proposed,	300 at Rupees 5 each,	1,500	0	0 do.

6. In the Department of Magistrate in the Hoozoor the principal changes, besides an increased standard of salary, is the addition of a Deputy Moonshee, 2 Assistants and an English Writer, with the abolition of the present Office of Persian Moonshee. The Hoozoor Magistrate Peons are to be increased from 41 at 5 Rupees each to 50 persons at Rupees 6 each.

7. The revised scale for the talooks, as regards the superior Police Officers, has been already mentioned. The proposition regarding Peons is as follows:

	Present.		Proposed.
	Persons.	Rs.	Persons.
Duffadars,	22	132	32
Peons,	372 at Rs. 4,	1,488	455 at Rs. 6 and 5, 2,505

8. The scale of revised salaries is intended to be liberal throughout, and the numerical strength of the new Establishments is so regulated as to be sufficient to meet future contingent demands upon it. "The District Establishment as now proposed" Mr. Fraser observes referring apparently to the talook Agencies, "would require no additions, save perhaps of a few Zillahdars, Gomastahs and Peons, where every
Para. 6 dated 15th November 1856,
in Cons. 9th June 1857.

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acre of Zemindary or proprietary land to revert to Government." The gross increase of charge may be classed for the most part under the following general heads.

	Increase per mensem.	Increase per annum.
	Rs.	A. P.
Hoozoor salaries including addition to the Establishment of Peons,	858	1 0
Talook.		
Revenue Peons,	772	8 0
Police do.,	1,017	0 0
Zillahdars,	542	0 0

Other minor items have to be added to form the total gross increase, from which Rupees 8,400, on account of temporary Peons as explained in the margin, being deducted, the net increase of Rupees 46,118-4 is obtained. The increase in the Hoozoor is partly composed of changes in the Serishtah Department, including a proposed monthly increase of Rupees 55 to the salary of the Naib Serishtadar, but as it is in contemplation to reorganize this branch of

the Agency under the Collector on the appointment of Deputy Collectors, it will not probably be thought necessary that the suggestions of the Acting Collector on this part of the subject should be further considered. The modifications in the other Departments of the Hoozoor on the revenue side with one exception, do not present any important features, such as would require immediate attention, and the consideration of them, may be postponed, the Board think, for the present, pending the result of the enquiries in progress under the Commissioner for the revision of public Establishments generally throughout India. The exception in question is the pay of the native Record-keeper, which the Acting Collector wishes to increase from Rs. 30 to Rs. 75 per mensem. This increase is necessary to place this responsible office on a suitable footing.

9. As regards the arrangements for the talooks the Acting Collector's proposition embodies the suggestions of Government as to the remodelling of the talooks and salaries, but with the introduction of Deputy Collector's Government may be of opinion that the charge in both respects is unnecessary. Should it be otherwise the Board desire to express their approval of the proposed measures. The appointment of Deputy Tahsildar, to be located as proposed, is judicious, but with this aid and adverting to the greater simplicity of our present administration of Ryotwar, and to the transfer of the executive of Public Works to that Department, the Board are of opinion that the proposed number of Zillahdars, though less by 10 persons than at present, is much too large. They would not wish to see a larger number of this class of Subordinate servants retained for purely revenue purposes than is absolutely required. In like manner the Board are of opinion that the proposed number of Revenue Peons is much in excess of what is required.

From Collr. 26th Feby. in Cons. 9th June 1857.
 From Comr. N. Circars to Govt. 7th in N. C. Dy. 10th Dec. 1855, No. 143.
 From do. to do. 22d December 1855, No. 154.
 Ext. Mins. Cons. 13th March 1856, No. 293.

10. The proposed Police establishment is altogether irrespective of the scheme for a reorganization of the Police recently laid before Government and of the increase that has become necessary in consequence of the withdrawal of the regular troops from the frontier talooks. It will be seen from the second letter recorded at the head of these Proceedings that both the present Acting Collector and the Acting Sub-Collector, whose charge embraces the frontier talooks, urge the formation of a Sibbendy corps, to be placed under the command of an European officer, as the only really efficient substitute for detachments of regulars and the latter officer justly observes that ordinary Peons, however increased in number, are incapable in their present organization of resisting the armed bodies that infest the frontier. As some arrangement must

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be made and as the proposed Police establishment which has fallen under consideration in these Proceedings, though ample for the ordinary Police duties of the District, is insufficient for the protection of the frontier talooks also, the Board are of opinion that the present Acting Collector should be called upon to submit a scheme that will adequately provide for the Police administration of the District generally including the frontier talooks, to be in force till the plan of Government for a general revision of the Police for the whole Presidency shall come into operation, or that the Acting Collector be directed to confine the arrangement to the Frontier talooks only. In his letter of the 26th February 1857, Mr. Knox states that Rupees 450 per mensem, the item mentioned in the margin of para. 8 of these Proceedings, may be made available towards the formation of a Sibbendy corps. This sum as already observed is merged in the general Police arrangements under submission.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM, *Acting Secretary.*

No. 50.

ORDER THEREON, No. 1300; dated 15th December 1857.

Ordered that the above Proceedings do lie over, and that the Board of Revenue be informed that Government have deferred, for the present, the consideration of their proposals for the revision of the establishment of the Masulipatam Collectorate in consequence of the financial restriction at present imposed by the Supreme Government.

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

Revenue Department.
N^o 49 Revenue N^o 1982
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Extract from the Proceedings of the
Board of Revenue, dated 9th June 1857.
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Collector of Masulipatam dated 15th November
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division of the District anew into 4 Talooks
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Tillahdars	1017	12506
	342	6504
Other		

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Additional Revenue Items Rs 250.
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(A True Extract)

J. L. L.
as Secretary.

To
H. Forbes Esq.
as Secretary to Government
Revenue Department.

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*Patd 4³
Recd 12-3 June 1857.*

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Reviewing the arrange-
ments proposed by the ag-
Collector of Masulipatam
in regard to the revision of
his District Establishment,
and the re-distribution of the
Talooks comprised in that
Collectorate. and submitting
the letter for from the ag-
Collector on the subject.

Copy to Mr. Kelly - 5 July 39.
No. 889.