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Revenue Department

Minutes of Consultations

26th May 1857

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Order no 499 dated 26th May 1857

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Fort Saint George, Revenue Consultation of 26th May 1857.

No. 41. Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue dated 11th May 1857, No. 1497.

* In Con. 11th May 1857.

Read letter from the Acting Sub-Collector in charge of Masulipatam, dated 19th February 1857,* reporting further on the proposals to build a new Civil Dispensary, and establish a Public Library in the town of Masulipatam.

(Here enter No. 22.)

With their Proceedings Nos. 3386 and 3388 dated respectively 15th October 1856, the Board of Revenue submitted for the consideration of Government two letters from the Acting Sub-Collector in charge of Masulipatam, containing propositions for building a Civil Dispensary and establishing a Library in the town of Masulipatam.

2. It was suggested that a sum of Rupees 7,398, consisting of fines levied under Regulation IX. of 1822 from Public Servants in the late trials, might be appropriated for accomplishing the first object, and that the remaining interest of Kutoobood Dowlah's arrears of pension amounting to Rupees 1,329 might be applied in effecting the second.

Ex. Min. Con. dated 14th Nov. 1856,
No. 1217, Revenue Department.

Ex. Min. Con. dated 21st Jan. 1857,
No. 84, Revenue Department.

Paras. 6 and 7 of Ex. Min. Con. No.
1217, Revenue Department.

3. Government objected to the appropriation of the fines in the manner proposed, and the amount has since been ordered to be carried to the credit of Government; but at the same time the Collector was instructed to notify to the inhabitants that if they felt the want of a new Dispensary, they should contribute a large portion of its cost, as on that condition alone could any aid be expected from Government. As regards the Library, no objection was made on the part of Government to the application of the interest money to such an object, provided a donation of equal amount were made by the inhabitants and sufficient guarantee given that the Institution would be duly maintained without further expense to Government.

4. In the letter above recorded, Mr. Chase states that the aid solicited for a Public Library is not for erecting a new building, but to extend the usefulness of the Institution now existing, by increasing the collection of books and throwing it open to the Public under certain rules. It is in contemplation to locate the Library in the new school house, which Mr. Chase is informed the Director of Public Instruction has recommended to be built.

5. The Library at present consists of 140 vols. valued at 500 Rs., partly purchased and partly contributed by Messrs. Ballard and Lushington, and belongs to a club, the members of which are chiefly native employes of the Government, but it is not stated where the books are kept. The members hope to increase their collection of books by further private contributions and by the accumulation of their subscriptions, and it is not intended that Government should be put to any expense beyond the donation now sought, as sufficient funds will be realized for future operations.

6. The Board have already expressed themselves in favor of the proposed grant. Government, as above stated, have signified their willingness to accord it if the people would contribute a similar amount, and would guarantee the future maintenance of the Library. The latter condition will apparently be fulfilled, but the former has not been made good. The value of the Library, including the contributions of Messrs. Lushington and Ballard, is estimated at Rs. 500 only, while the grant sought amounts to Rs. 1,329. The Board are consequently unable to repeat their recommendation until the terms prescribed by Government, are more fully complied with by the people.

7. In pursuance of the views of Government in regard to a new building for a Dispensary, a general meeting of the inhabitants was convened by a circular published throughout the District, and a sum of Rs. 2,750 was subscribed at once; but as the lists had not been then sent to some parts of the District, it was expected that the total contributions would ultimately amount to about Rs. 3,000.

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செப்பனூபவர்காக எடுத்தக் : 7/06
கொள்வப்பட்ட நாள் :
செப்பனூபு முடித்த நாள் : 7/06

செம் 31-7-06
சரிபார்க்கும் : சரிபார்க்கும் :
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உதவியாளர் :
கையொப்பம் :

Fort Saint George, Revenue Consultation of 26th May 1857.

8. The cost of the building was estimated by Mr. Fraser at 8,000 Rs., so that Rs. 5,000 will still have to be contributed by Government, if the object is to be accomplished.

9. Mr. Chase offers for consideration the fact, that the rent, Rs. 25, now paid by Government for the building in use is equivalent to the interest (at 5 per cent.) of a capital of Rupees 6,000, and that therefore the outlay even of this sum for a new building would entail no extra expense except for occasional repairs.

10. It would thus appear that by an outlay of Rupees 5,000, the Government with the aid of the local contributions promised may be relieved of a monthly rent charge of Rupees 25, and may provide a new Dispensary far superior to that now maintained, the bad situation, defective arrangement and scanty accommodation of which the Board have already noticed in their previous communication.

11. The project would thus seem to be deserving of consideration; but as the Government have negatived the proposition for applying the accumulated fines to this purpose, the further prosecution of the scheme is withdrawn from the Board's Department.

(A true Extract.)

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

No. 42.

ORDER THEREON, No. 499; dated 26th May 1857.

Ordered to be referred to the Public Department for consideration.

(Signed) H. FORBES,

Acting Secretary to Government.

Revenue Department.

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2. It was suggested that a sum of Rs. 4398 consisting of fines levied under Reg. IX of 1822 from Public Servants in the late Trials, might be appropriated for

for accomplishing the first object, and that the remaining Interest of Katoobood (Pov. lahi) arrears of Pension amounting to Rs. 1329 might be applied in effecting the second.

3. Government objected to the appropriation of the fines in the manner proposed, and the amount has since been ordered to be earned to the credit of Government; but at the same time the Collector was instructed to notify to the inhabitants that if they felt the want of a new Dispensary, they should contribute a large portion of its cost, as in that condition alone could any aid be expected from Government. As regards the Library, no objection was made in the part of Government to the application of the Interest-money to such an object, provided a donation of equal amount were made by the inhabitants and sufficient guarantee given that the Institution would be duly maintained without further expense to Government.

4. In the letter above recorded, Mr. Shree states that the aid solicited for

Ex. Comm. Cons. dated 24th
Nov. 1856, No. 1274, Recd.
Sept.

Ex. Comm. Cons. dated 24th
Jan'y 1857, No. 84, Recd.
Sept.

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Cons. No. 1274, Recd. Sept.

for a Public Library is not for erecting a new building, but to extend the usefulness of the Institution now existing, by increasing the Collection of Books and throwing it open to the Public under certain Rules. It is in contemplation to locate the Library in the new School House, which Mr. Shree is informed the Director of Public Instruction has recommended to be built.

5. The Library at present consists of 120 vols. valued at 500 Rs., partly purchased and partly contributed by Messrs. Ballard and Lushington, and belongs to a Club, the members of which are chiefly native employees of the Government, but it is not stated where the Books are kept. The members hope to increase their Collection of books by further private Contributions and by the accumulation of their Subscriptions, and it is not intended that Government should be put to any expense beyond the Donation now sought, as sufficient funds will be realized for future operations.

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7. In pursuance of the views of Government in regard to a new building for a Dispensary, a general meeting of the inhabitants was convened by a Circular published throughout the District, and a sum of Rs. 2450 was subscribed at once; but as the lists had not been then sent to some parts of the District, it was expected that the total contributions would ultimately amount to about Rs. 3000.

8. The cost of the building was estimated by Mr. Fraser at 8000 Rs., so that Rs. 5000 will still have to be contributed

contributed by Government if the object is to be accomplished.

9. Mr. Chase offers for consideration the fact, that the rent Rs. 25, now paid by Government for the building in use is equivalent to the Interest (at 5%) of a Capital of Rs. 6000, and that therefore the outlay even of this sum for a new building would entail no extra expense except for occasional repairs.

10. It would thus appear that by an outlay of Rs. 5000 the Government with the aid of the local contributions promised might be relieved of a monthly rent charge of Rs. 25 and may provide a new Dispensary far superior to that now maintained. The bad situation, defective arrangement and scanty accommodation of which the Board have already noticed in their previous communication.

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is unknown from the Roads department.

(Attn: Extract)

J. S. Smith
agent

To
M. Stokes Esq. Order for back
agent to Government,
Revenue Department.

At
M. Stokes Esq.

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of the Board of Revenue

Dated 11th &
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N^o 1497.

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of 17th June 1857 N^o 425
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Reporting further on the
proposals to build a new
Civil Dispensary, and estab-
lish a Public Library, in the
Town of Masulipatam and
submitting a letter from the
Actg. Subcollector in charge on
the subject.

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