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## *Fort Saint George, Revenue Consultation of 21st July 1857.*

No. 1. 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 St. George, 9th June 1857, No. 1948.

SIR,

I am desired by the Board of Revenue to submit for
* *Dated 25th April in Consultation 9th June 1857, No. 1541.* the consideration and orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council the accompanying communication* from the Acting Collector of Guntoor.

2. Mr. Newill requests permission to credit to the local funds of his District the sale proceeds of twenty-one islands newly formed in the Kistna, which were disposed of by auction to the highest bidders and realised Rupees 665-8-0, or an average of a little less than Rupees 31¾ each island.

3. The islands comprise in the aggregate Acres 52, Coontahs 23, assessed at Rs. 181-14-6, or on the average about Rupees 3½ per acre, while the average price obtained for them at auction is about 12¾ Rs. the Acre.

4. The Acting Collector explains that the fertility of the Kistna islands and their peculiar adaptation for certain kinds of produce render disputes for newly formed islands, or for additions to old ones of frequent occurrence among the ryots, and that during the recent Jummabundy he found it impracticable to adjust the contending claims in any way more generally fair and satisfactory than by putting the islands up for public competition.

5. Where no prior rights exist to render this course objectionable, the Board would not prevent the Collector from adopting it, but the sale proceeds of the islands from a legitimate item of Land Revenue, and consequently are not available for the augmentation of the local fund of the District under the rules framed for the formation of such funds generally.

6. In the event of Government approving of the course pursued by Mr. Newill, the Board instruct me to suggest that he may be authorized to follow it in other similar instances, invariably reporting his proceedings for the confirmation of the Board and sanction of Government.

7. The lands sold will still be subject to assessment as shewn in the statement accompanying the Acting Collector's letter.

8. The islands in question are stated to have been newly formed. Their boundaries, the Board conclude, have been laid down in the mode suggested in the settlement of the former disputes connected with similar formations and which the Government approved of in para. 8 Extract Minutes of Consultation 21st January 1853, No. 78, Revenue Department.

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No. 2. ORDER THEREON, No. 710; dated 15th July 1857.

The Board submit a letter from Mr. Newill, the Acting Collector of Guntoor, requesting permission to credit to the local funds of the District, the sum of Rupees 665-8-0, being the sale proceeds of twenty one newly formed islands in the Kistna, which were disposed of by public auction under the circumstances stated in para. 2 of his letter. Mr. Newill also requests that he may be allowed to put up to public competition any islands which may hereafter be formed, and the Board recommend that he may be authorized to adopt this course, in all cases where no prior rights exist to render it objectionable, reporting his proceedings for their sanction and the confirmation of the Government. The Board however consider that the sale proceeds of the islands form a legitimate item of land revenue, and that they are therefore not available for the augmentation of the local funds of the District, under the rules framed for the formation of such funds generally.

2. The Government concur in the view which the Board have taken of the local funds. They will not object to the arrangement now reported by Mr. Newill ; but as the tendency of islands in the Kistna and Godavery is generally to increase in size, when once formed, they consider that, in future, such small islands as have in many instances been sold by Mr. Newill for a mere trifle, should not be offered to competition. In the course of two or three years, the islands will probably increase, and a price more nearly approaching their value will then be obtained.

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

Revenue Board Office,
Fort St. George,
9th June 1854.

No. 1948

From,

I. D. Sim Esq.
Acting Secretary to the
Board of Revenue.

To,

H. Forbes Esq.
Acting Secretary to Government
Revenue Department.

Sir,

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to submit for the consideration and orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council the accompanying communication from the Acting Collector of Guntoor.

Dated 23d April in Cons 9th June 1854 No 1541.

2. Mr Newill requests permission to credit to the Local Funds of his District the sale proceeds of twenty one Islands newly formed in the Kistna, which were disposed of by auction to the highest bidders and realised Rupees 665-8-0 or an average of a little less than 31¼ Rs each Island.

3. The Islands comprise in the aggregate acres 52- Cents 33 assessed at Rs 181-14-6

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5. Where no prior rights exist to render
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Board instruct me to suggest that he may be authorized to proceed in other similar instances, invariably reporting his proceedings for the confirmation of the Board and sanction of Government.-

7 The lands sold will still be subject to assessment as shewn in the statement accompanying the Acting Collector's letter.

8. The Islands in question are stated to have been newly formed. Their boundaries, the Board conclude, never been laid down in the mode suggested in the settlement of the former disputes connected with similar formations and which the Government approved of in pr. 8 Extract Minutes of Consultation 21st January 1853 No 78. Revenue Department.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your most obt Servant
J. D'Silva
Acting Secretary

Rec. Board Office
Fort St George
9th June 1854

To
H. Forbes Esq.
Asst Secretary to Government
Rev. Department

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Revenue 185[illegible] Dept.
Dublin Castle 24th July.
No. 673

From The Secretary to the
Board of Revenue

To The Under Secretary to
Government
Civil Department

Dated 9th June 1857.
Rec'd 10 June

2 Encls Returned No. 1948

I.E. No. 710. 15th July

Submitting with the Board's remarks a letter from the Lord Commissioners of Customs proposing to credit to Local Funds the sale proceeds of certain newly formed Islands in the Shannon, and suggesting that should the course pursued by Mr Smith in regard to the sale of the Islands be approved, he may be authorized to follow it out in all future similar instances.

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Extract from the Minutes of Consultation
Under date the 15th July, 1857.

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Of 15^th July/57.

Concurring in the views which the B^d have taken of the local funds procured by the sale proceeds of certain newly formed islands in the Kistna & Gob: observing that the tendency of islands is to increase in size when once formed & that in future such small islands as have been sold by the Collector of Guntoor for a mere trifle should not be offered for competition.

No 142.

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