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செப்பனிடுவதற்காக எடுத்துக் கொள்ளப்பட்ட நாள். 11/2006

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Fort Saint George, Revenue Consultation of 29th September 1857.

No. 7. Read the following letter from H. RICKETTS, Esq., Commissioner for the Revision of Civil Salaries, &c.; to the Secretary to the Government of Madras; dated Ootacamund, 4th September 1857, No. 1216.

SIR,

I have been for several months in communication with the Board of Revenue, with a view to revision of the salaries of Tehseeldars, which are considerably lower than the salaries of officers holding the same offices in other parts of the Empire,* but it appears to me very doubtful whether interference on my part, at this time, if indeed at any time, could be productive of any useful result.

* *In the Punjab the average is Rs.* 170-0-0 *per month.*
In the N. W. Provinces, „ 168-0-0 „
In Madras, - - „ 91-1-5 „

If the duties of Police are to be separated from fiscal duties, a complete revision of the establishments of the two Departments of Revenue and Police will be necessary, and any alterations made now will have to be again reviewed. The jurisdiction of the Tehseeldars, if they have only revenue duties to perform, will probably be considerably enlarged, and the number of Tehseeldars be decreased.

Moreover, it appears to me that a revision of the Tehseeldaree establishment of Madras, to be thoroughly effectual, should be conducted district by district, in communication with the Collectors and others capable of affording information on the many points connected with local peculiarities calling for consideration. In the list I have, I find a Tehseeldar in Guntoor, with a salary of Rupees 60 per mensem, collecting Rupees 4,33,266-15-7, while in Masulipatam a Tehseeldar receiving Rupees 65, collects only Rupees 32,166; and there are two Tehseeldars on Rupees 35 each, who collect respectively Rupees 1,230, and Rupees 1, 219! It is only by very careful local enquiries that such primâ facie incongruities can be reconciled, or rectified.

I propose, therefore, for the present, to leave the salaries of Tehseeldars as they are, and to recommend that they should be brought under revision when orders shall have been passed respecting the separation of Police from fiscal duties. I beg to be favored with an expression of the opinion of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council on this proposal.

Ordered in consequence that the following letter be despatched.

No. 8. From H. FORBES, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Government of Fort St. George; to H. RICKETTS, Esq., Commissioner for the Revision of Civil Salaries and Establishments throughout India; dated 23d September 1857, No. 974.

SIR,

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to acknowledge the receipt of your letter dated 4th Instant, No. 1216, noticing on the low rates of salaries drawn by the Tahsildars of this Presidency, and proposing to leave this point for consideration until orders shall have been passed respecting the separation of Police from fiscal duties. In reply, I am desired to convey the entire concurrence of His Lordship in Council in the above proposal.

Signature Executive

No 1274 Revenue Department 3/974

To

The Secretary to the
Government of
Madras.

Dated Octacamund, 4th September, 1857.

Sir,

I have been for several Months in communication with the Board of Revenue, with a view to revision of the salaries of Tehsildars, which are considerably lower than the salaries of Officers holding the same offices in other parts of the Empire, but it appears to me very doubtful whether any interference on any part, at this time, if indeed at any time, could be productive of any useful result.

+ In the Punjab the Average is Rs 170. p.m. In the N.W. Provinces Rs 168. — In Madras Rs 91.8. —

If the duties of Police are to be separated from Fiscal duties, a complete revision of the establishments of the two departments of Revenue and Police will be necessary, and any alterations made now will have to be

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Moreover, it appears to me that a revision of the Tehsildaree establishment of Madras, to be thoroughly effected, should be conducted district by district, in communication with the Collectors and others capable of affording information on the many points connected with local peculiarities calling for consideration.

In the last Share, I found a Tehsildar in Guntoor, with a salary of R. 60 per annum, collecting R. 1,33,266-15-7 : while in Masulipatam a Tehsildar receiving R. 65, collects only R. 32,166: and there are two Tehsildars on R. 35 each, who collect respectively R. 1230, and R. 1219! It is only by very careful local enquiries that such prima facie incongruities can be reconciled or rectified.

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I propose, therefore, for the present, to leave the salaries of Tehsildars as they are, and to recommend that they shall be brought under revision when orders shall have been passed respecting the separation of Police from fiscal duties. They to be favored with an expression of the opinion of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council on this proposal.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most Obedient Servant

H. Rivett

Commissioner for the revision of Civil salaries and establishments throughout India.

For Orders.

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From the Commissioner for the Revision of Civil Salaries & Establishments throughout India dd 4th September 1857 -

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To

H. Ricketts, Esqr

Commissioner for the revision of
Civil Salaries & Establishments

Sir,

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in the above proposal.

Fort St. Geo. 23d Sept. 185[illegible]

Revenue 185[illegible] Department
Dt. 16 Dec. 29 Sept.

No 9/54.

To the Commrs. for the Reduction
of Civil Salaries & Establishments throughout India.

Dated 23d Sept. 57.

Copy of the above
letter of the Govt. for Comm.
for reduction of Civil Sal.
rates of Salaries drawn
by the Subordinate officers of this
Presidency until orders
shall have been passed
with reference to the application
of the Officers drawn
Vide Rule

No 7/58.