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Revenue Department

Minutes of Consultation

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Fort Saint George, Revenue Consultation of 12th January 1858.

No. 10. Read the following letter from R. B. CHAPMAN, Esq., Officiating Under Secretary to the Government of India; to H. FORBES, Esq., Acting Secretary to the Government of Fort St. George; dated Fort William the 31st October 1857, No. 1770.
SIR,

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter No. 882, dated the 2d Ultimo, submitting a report on the survey operations of the South Arcot and Trichinopoly Districts for the year ending with the 31st October 1853.

2. It was supposed by the Government of Madras that with the establishment sanctioned on the 8th September 1851 it would be possible to survey 800 square miles a year at a cost of Rupees 44-8 a square mile. But in fact, only 725 square miles have been surveyed in two years at a cost of Rupees 83-12-10 a square mile, which is very much in excess of the Bengal rate. This is accounted for partly by the difficulties attending a new undertaking, but chiefly by the greater minuteness of the work, every separate holding having been plotted from a Khushrah map within a scientifically surveyed boundary.

3. The Government of Madras as well as the Revenue authorities of the Presidency are sensible of the necessity for laying down some principle to "render it unnecessary that every minute patch of cultivation shall be measured by the Government Ameen," and have prescribed as a general rule that entire fields are to be clubbed together, and that much detailed measuring is to be avoided.

4. The Governor General in Council observes that unless some very strict and more definite limit be placed on the operations of the professional surveyors, the expense of the general survey will far exceed the estimate formed of it, and His Lordship in Council desires me to request the careful attention of the Government of Madras to the subject. The survey of South Arcot seems to have been carried to a degree of minuteness beyond all practical necessity, and at more than a commensurate expense.

No. 11. ORDER THEREON, No. 40; dated 11th January 1858.

Ordered that the letter above recorded be communicated to the Board of Revenue, the Director of Revenue Settlement and the Superintendent of Survey.

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

From
R. B. Chapman Esq.
Offg. Secy. to the Govt. of India

To
H. Forbes Esq.
Acting Secretary to Govt. of
Fort St. George

dated the 31st October 1857.
Fort William

I am directed to acknowledge the receipt of your letter of 1st 1857 dated the 2nd ultimo submitting a report on the survey operations of the South Arcot & Trichinopoly Districts for the year ending with the 31st October 1856.

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I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient servant,

W. M. P. Miller

Offg. Secy to the Govt
of India.

Fort William
The 31st October
1857.

W. M. P.

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Extract from the Minutes of Consultation
Under date the 11th January 1888

Read letter from the off^r India
Sec to the Gov^t of India
dated 21 October 1857 No 1386

Reviewing the report
on the Survey Operations
in S. India and such
for 1855-56.

Ordered that the letter
above recd be communi-
cated to the Board of
Revenue, the Director of
Revenue Settlement and the
Supt. of Survey

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during the year ending 31st Dec
1856. The operations of the
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