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Revenue Department

Minutes of Consultations

30th March 1858

Book no 15 & 16

Order no 388 dt 24th March 1858

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Fort Saint George, Revenue Consultation of 30th March 1858.

No. 15. Read the following letter from G. L. PRENDERGAST, Esq., Accountant General; to the Chief Secretary to Government, dated Fort Saint George 11th March 1858, No. 377.

SIR,

1. With reference to my letter to your address dated yesterday and to the orders of the Government of India to which it was a reply, I have the honor to submit the following circumstances for the reconsideration and orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council.

No. 376.

2. In Extract Minutes of Consultation dated the 16th Ultimo, the Government were pleased to resolve that I should introduce the Bengal Forms of monthly and annual Accounts to be furnished by the Collectors from May 1858, and to leave the details i. e. form of Chittah accounts, their Abstracts* &c., undisturbed till all the Huzoor accounts have been revised under their Revenue Secretary as previously ordered.†

No. 198 in the Revenue Department.

* *Which are called averzahs and in Bengal Ledgers.*

† *9th January* 1856.

3. The Government will observe that the several orders of the Government of India especially the last one dated 29th January last Extract Minutes Consultation dated 6th Instant No. 153, in the Financial Department, are positive and decided, and the object of their having deputed Mr. Harrison to Madras would appear, from their instructions to that Officer, to be for the purpose of explaining the Bengal system of accounts and superintending its introduction in the Districts.

4. Under all the circumstances of the case, I am inclined to suggest that the orders of the Supreme Government as regards the Treasury Chittahs, which are termed in Calcutta "Rokurs" "or Registers of Dakhilas" and "Registers of payments," be at once carried out from 1st May 1858. If the Government be pleased to approve of this suggestion, I will circulate, without loss of time to the several Collectors the different forms and instructions contained in the printed Book received‡ from Bengal which I am now extracting with such modifications and alterations of the heads as the local circumstances of this Presidency may require.

‡ *With Extract Minutes Consultation 20th February* 1856.

5. I will enjoin the Collectors not to discontinue any account or return now kept by them in the Native language which might, if so discontinued, interfere with any check now maintained against the Cash Department by their Sheristadars, or other subordinate servants, until the Revenue Secretary to Government or the Board of Revenue shall have considered and determined the question in that respect.

6. I beg to be favored with the orders of Government to this reference as early as possible, as time will be required to get the various forms and instructions printed for circulation to the Collectors.

No. 16. ORDER THEREON, No. 388; dated 24th March 1858.

Under the circumstances now explained by the Accountant General, the Right Honorable the Governor in Council authorizes him to carry out the orders of the Government of India in regard to the Treasury Chittahs &c. Mr. Prendergast will however instruct the Collectors to maintain the checks at present kept, to ensure the responsibility of the Sheristadar and other public servants.

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

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Fort Saint George,
Accountant Genl.s Office,
11th March 1858.

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The Accountant General

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I have the honor to be,

Sir

Your most obedient servant

E. Prendergast
Accountt. General

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From
The Accountt. General
To The Chief Secretary
to Government

Dated 11 March 1858
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Extract from the Minutes of Consultation
Under date the 24th March 1858.

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