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Revenue Department
Minutes of Consultations
9th April 1858

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Order no 432 D/ 1st April
1858.

Fort Saint George, Revenue Consultation of 9th April 1858.

No. 15. Read the following letter from Captain F. B. PRIESTLEY, Superintendent Revenue Survey; to H. FORBES, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government Revenue Department; dated Madras 16th February 1858.

SIR,

As the question is one that requires to be disposed of as soon as possible, I do myself the honor to enclose a letter received by me from the Civil Auditor, requiring that a decrease should be made in my next abstract corresponding to an excess in the months of November, December and January.

Enclosure A.

I beg to point out that in my report of Progress for the year 1854, I stated that I had been obliged to reduce the monthly pay of the measuring Ameens and to substitute an allowance per 100 acres measured. During the monsoon however when field work was impossible I reverted to

Enclosure B.

salaries of about the same amount as originally laid down for measuring Ameens. No objection having been made to this arrangement I conceived that I had not exceeded the powers entrusted to me of regulating and apportioning the pay of the different ranks as might seem necessary (see 1st para. in page 75 No. IX. Selections from Government Records.)

I have hitherto obtained the amount disbursed for measurement allowance from the Collector of South Arcot. The last bill however for work performed in the Arealoor talook which at the request of Mr. Taylor Acting Collector of South Arcot

Enclosure C.

I forwarded for audit to the Civil Auditor has not yet been passed and some order sanctioning the measurement allowance is called for.

Under these circumstances I trust that the necessary order may be passed to enable me to pay the persons employed in the Survey Department as heretofore provided that the yearly expenditure does not exceed the sum sanctioned.

A.

From F. LUSHINGTON, Esq., Civil Auditor; to Captain F. J. B. PRIESTLEY, Superintendent of Revenue Survey South Arcot, dated Fort Saint George 11th February 1858, No. 1168.

SIR,

In returning Audited the bill for the salary of your establishment for last month, I have the honor to inform you that the total amount* therein drawn has exceeded the sanctioned amount by Rupees 54. I therefore request

* Vide G. O. 12th O. Ab. 1854, No. 1318, Revenue Department.

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that you will shew a corresponding decrease in your next abstract as well as for the amount over-passed to you in your bill for November and December 1857, as shewn in the margin, unless you can furnish the Copy of any other

order authorizing you to divert from the original sanction.

B.

Extract from Captain PRIESTLEY'S report dated 13th November 1854.

"I have been obliged to introduce a system by which the men are partly paid according to their work; besides their fixed wages, they receive 12 Annas for every 100 Acres, half on the completion of the measurement and half on their work standing the tests to which it is put."

C.

From F. LUSHINGTON, Esq., Civil Auditor; to Captain F. J. B. PRIESTLEY, Superintendent Revenue Survey, Cuddalore, dated Fort Saint George, 24th December 1857.

SIR,

With reference to your letter of the 16th October and 14th Instant, I have the honor to return herewith unpassed, the list of allowances paid to Survey Ameens on the area surveyed in

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the Arealore talook in Trichinopoly in the year 1856 amounting to Rupees 362-2-1, as I have been unable to obtain from the records of my office any authority sanctioning charges of the description mentioned in the above list; moreover; I observe from the old accounts that charges of a similar description have been retrenched in the accounts of the Collector of South Arcot for Fusly 1265 for want of the sanction of Government. I request therefore that you will obtain the sanction of that authority for the amount now paid as compensation to the survey Ameens after which, the charges may be retransmitted to me together with a duplicate for audit drawn up not as a mere list, but in the regular form of a bill with the heading. "The Honorable Company Dr." properly receipted and with the usual Certificate entered at foot.

No. 16.

ORDER THEREON, No. 432; dated 1st April 1858.

From the concluding part of the above letter it appears to Government that the charges incurred by the Superintendent of Revenue Survey for November, December and January last are merely in excess of the authorized monthly expenditure and that the aggregate amount expended in the whole year will not be found to exceed the sanction. Under this belief the Government authorize the Civil Auditor to admit the excess above alluded to amounting in the aggregate to Rupees (184) one hundred and eighty four.

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

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Fort St. George,
Civil Auditor's Office,
11th February 1858.

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Fixed Department.

N: 1108.

From J. L. Dushington Esq
Civil Auditor.

To Captain J. S. W. Priestley
Superintendent of Revenue Survey
South Arcot.

Sir, I have the honor to inform you that the total amount of your establishment for last month, I have the honor to inform you that the total amount therein drawn has exceeded the sanctioned amount by Rupees 54. I therefore request that you will show a corresponding decrease in your next abstract as well as for the amount over paid to you in your bill for November and December 1857 as shown in the margin, unless you can furnish the copy of any other order authorizing you to divert from the original sanction.

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Signed J. L. Dushington
Civil Auditor.

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Extract from Captain Priestley's report
dated 13th November 1854.

"I have been obliged to introduce a system by which the men are partly paid according to their work; besides their fixed wages, they receive 12 annas for every 100 Acres, half on the completion of the measurement and half on their work standing the tests to which it is put."

C.P.

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From
J. L. Lushington Esq.
Chief Auditor

To
Captain J. I. B. Prueley
Superintendent Revenue Survey
Cuddalore.

For Rates For 21st Dec 1850

With reference to your letter
of the 10th October and 14th Instant I have
the honor to return herewith enclosed, the
List of allowances paid to Survey Amens
on the Sea Surveyed in the Sualore
Salook in Tichinopoly in the year 1850
amounting to Rupees 302-2-1, as I have
been unable to obtain from the records of
my office any authority sanctioning charges
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Civil Auditor's Office
St. George
22nd December 1857

Thos. L.
Secretary to the Hon. Co.
Civil Auditor.

Recd 23/12/57

A. G. G.

Madras
16th February 1858.
To
Captain J. B. Priestley
Superintendent Survey.

From
H. Forbes Esq.
Acting Secy to Government
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Madras,
16th February 1838.

I have the honor to be
Sir,
Your Most Obedt Servant
Frederick J. B. Priestley
Superint. of the Survey

To

Mr. Forbes Esq.

Acting Secy to Government
Rev. Department

R. B. P.

Revenue 1838 Receipts
By Adams 9th April

From the superintendent of
the Revenue survey.

Satd 16th February
Feb 18th
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E. Phillips Esq.

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Wills on Dec 27
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Again the concluding words

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admit the sums above allotted
to amounting in the aggregate to Rs
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Wm Geo. &
1st April 1858
John is left. Dorothy & I
will leave