

Revenue Department

Minutes of Consultations.

20th April 1858.

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Order no. 494 D/19th April 1858.

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Fort Saint George, Revenue Consultation of 20th April 1858.

No. 36. Read the following letter from H. NEWILL, Esq., Director of Revenue Settlement; to H. FORBES, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government, Revenue Department; dated Madras 30th March 1858, No. 111.

SIR,

Para. 1. Referring to para. 8 of the Despatch of the Honorable Court of Directors dated 18th July 1855, No. 11, approving of the proposition of the Government that a person versed in the Sciences of Geology and Agricultural Chemistry should be attached to the Survey Department and to para. 26 of their subsequent Despatch dated 6th August 1856, No. 10 stating that they had not succeeded in obtaining the services of such an individual, I have the honor to suggest that the subject may now with propriety be again brought to the notice of the Honorable Court, as the survey and settlement operations have recently been sanctioned on a more extensive scale.

2. One of the earliest steps in the valuation of lands for the new assessment is to draw out a Nomenclature of the soils for the several Districts and to determine their productive powers, not only by occasional experiments of the produce grown on them, but by ascertaining as far as possible their constituent elements, and fertilizing powers, which seem a surer basis for the operations; and for the latter process a certain amount of scientific knowledge and experience is essential.

3. Although considering the Agency to be employed, it may not be practicable to give the classification a strictly professional character, the aid of a person conversant with Agricultural Chemistry and the valuation of land would be very valuable in the initiatory proceedings and enable me to arrange the plan of operations with more certainty and correctness than could be obtained in the absence of any practical application of scientific knowledge.

4. Considering the importance of the measures now to be carried out in an extensive scale, I would hope that the Honorable Court at the instance of the Government may be enabled to send out a qualified individual by an early opportunity Overland.

No. 37. ORDER THEREON, No. 494; dated 19th April 1858.

Ordered that the above letter be transmitted to the Honorable the Court of Directors, and their attention solicited to the application of this Government dated 6th December 1854, No. 72, that a person versed in Geology and Agricultural chemistry should be sent out to Madras for the purpose of being attached to the Revenue survey.

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

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 From,
 H. Knell Esq.
 Director of Revenue Settlement.

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

Sir,
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be referred to the Honorable
the Board of Directors and
their auditors to the
effect of this Government
order of 10th October 1857, that
a person engaged in Geology and
agricultural chemistry should
be sent out to Madras for the
purpose of being attached to the
Revenue Agency. R.R.

To Mr. McNeill Esq
Director of Revenue
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Reminding you that the
Director of Revenue would
be desirous of appointing
a person to the post of
Assistant Director of
Revenue in the
Madras Agency.

John H. George
19th April 1858
To Mr. McNeill Esq
Director of Revenue

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sensible that the Honorable Court
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to send out a qualified individual by
an early opportunity. Overland.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,

Your most Obedt. Servant.

A. McNeill
Director of Revenue Settlement

Office of Director of
Revenue Settlement
Madras 30 March 1858

To
A. Forbes Esq
Acting Secretary to Government
Revenue Department.

For Mr. McNeill