Revenue Department

Minutes of Consultations

20th April 1858

Book Nos 36 & 37

Order No. 494 Dd 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.

In Ex. Mins. Cons. 21st Jany. 1856, No. 70.

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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No. 111

From,

H. Neill Esq.

Director of Revenue Settlement.

To,

H. Forbes Esq.

Acting Secretary to Government,

Revenue Department.

Sir,

Dated Nagercoil 30 May 1857.

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From H. Newill Esq.
Director of Revenue Settlement.

To H. Forbes Esq.
Acting Secy. to Govt.
Revenue Dept.

dated 30 March 1858
Rec'd 31st "
No. 494-19 dated 1st April 1858

Reminding Govt. that the services of a person versed in Geology & Agricultural Chemistry would be of very essential service in the Survey & Assessment operations

With an order

No. 494

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. 92, 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.

Fort St. George
19th April 1858

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From H. Newill Esq
Dirctr of Rev. Settt
Dft 26 Feby 59 No. 880
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Revenue Department

To

The Secretary to Government
Revenue Department

Sir,

I have the honor to be,
&c. &c. &c.

By Order
(Signed) H. Forbes
Secretary to Government

Madras 30 March 1858

Director of Revenue Settlement