Revenue Department

Minutes of Consultation

18th May 1858

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பாதுகாப்பு பிரிவு-1

செப்பளிடுபவர் பெயர்: S. மாலைமுத்து 6/08

செப்பளிடுதற்காக எடுத்துக்-
கொள்ளப்பட்ட நாள்:

சரிபார்க்கும் முதல் நபர் கையொப்பம்

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தரவுகளை உள்ளீடு செய்தவர் கையொப்பம்

Fort Saint George, Revenue Consultation of 18th May 1858.

No. 10. Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 20th April 1858, No. 1373.

In Consultation 14th October 1857. Read again letter from the Collector of Trichinopoly, dated 2d February 1857, forwarding one of the newly Lithographed Maps of his district with the recent talook alterations delineated in it, and enclosing a communication from the Collector of South Arcot, reiterating his opinion in favor of the new frontier line agreed to between himself and the Collector of Trichinopoly.

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2. The Board observe that with their Proceedings dated 16th September 1856, they submitted two letters from the Collector of Trichinopoly in furtherance of the orders of Government contained in Extract Minutes Consultation, No. 433, dated 27th March 1856, P. W. D. The first letter referred to the suggestions of Government for improving the boundaries of certain talooks in his district, and the other to a new frontier line between it and South Arcot.

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* *E. M. C. No. 1081, R. D. dated 11th in Con. 20th Oct. 1856.*

3. Government* approved of the alterations in talook boundaries proposed by Mr. Bird, which have since been carried out, and will be found delineated in the accompanying Map. It was at the same time suggested† by Government that, as one or more villages not belonging to Vitticutty appeared to be surrounded by villages of that talook, they might be included in its limits. It appears however from Mr. Bird's second letter, above recorded, that there are no more villages which could be transferred from Madura to Vitticutty with advantage.

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4. With respect to a new frontier between South Arcot and Trichinopoly, a line was agreed on by the Collectors and noticed by the Board in the following terms in their Proceedings already quoted. "The arrangement proposed is that a portion of the Vedavaur Channel "should form the eastern boundary of Trichinopoly, and the red line marked on the "Map forwarded by Mr. Bird together with "that portion of the Vellaure which runs westward of it, its Northern boundary."

Dated 16th Sept. 1856, para. 6.

Note—The Sketch Map referred to in those remarks has been retained by Mr. Bird, to whom it was subsequently returned, but the new Map which accompanies shews that boundary very distinctly in colors.

5. It was further remarked by the Board that the plan involved a net transfer of lands, assessed at upwards of 10,000 Rupees from Trichinopoly to South Arcot, but that as it required an interchange of a smaller number of villages than the plan at first proposed by Mr. Bird, and secured a well defined boundary for both districts, it might be adopted with advantage.

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Para. 6 of E. M. C. already quoted.

6. Government took exception to this arrangement on the ground that it included the transfer of certain villages South of the Vellaur to the Vriddachellum talook which is North of that river, and still further reduced the revenue of the Woodiarpollien talook, already diminished, to 92,700 Rupees by the recent talook alterations. The line abandoned by Mr. Bird appeared to Government to be preferable, but they observed "As however the Collector of South Arcot objects to Mr. "Bird's line, the Government are willing to consent to a modification of it in the N. E. corner. "The road which leaves the trunk road at Ayappankenputty and goes due N. to Vriddachellum "appears suitable as a general boundary; but the line may deviate from it to the Westward so

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7. Mr. Bird states that he has given the subject frequent consideration and is unable to propose a better adjustment than that objected to by Government, and that he has been confirmed in this opinion by Mr. Hall's letter which he forwards with his own for the Board's information. Mr. Bird adds that the line suggested by Government, though not varying much from Mr. Hall's, would involve the transfer of some Paliemcottah villages to Trichinopoly which is not desirable as likely to cause some confusion and inconvenience.

8. Mr. Hall still expresses his decided preference of the plan agreed to by Mr. Bird. He explains that he is not sure what line Government intend should be taken from the lower Annicut on the Coleroon to the village of Ayappanaikenputty, from which point Government direct that the road running due N. to Vriddachellum may be considered as a portion of the line, but that if the trunk road be intended, all the villages East of this road would be included in South Arcot, while some of the Paliemcottah villages would be transferred to Trichinopoly, an arrangement which, as already said, is inexpedient. The Board observe that Mr. Hall made his proposition with the advantage of a knowledge of the country about the Paliemcottah Jaghire, and that he has since resided some time in the neighbourhood of Paliemcottah when revising the assessment of the Jaghire.

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10. Under these circumstances the Board think that Government may not be disposed to press a revision of the lists of villages proposed by the Collectors for interchange, and they accordingly repeat their recommendation that the Collectors may be authorized to carry out the transfer, as detailed in para. 6 of the Board's Proceedings of the 16th September 1856, as soon after the Woodiarpolliem talook is surveyed and re-assessed as may be convenient.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) G. S. FORBES, *Secretary.*

No. 11. ORDER THEREON, No. 269; dated 14th May 1858.

1. In Extract Minutes Consultation 11th October 1856 No. 1081, while remarking upon the changes proposed in the limits of some of the talooks in Trichinopoly, and an interchange of villages between that District and South Arcot, the Government took exception to certain arrangements proposed by the local authorities and the Board, with reference to the Trichinopoly and South Arcot boundary, and directed that a revised list of villages to be interchanged should be framed, in accordance with their remarks.

2. The Board of Revenue now reply to this order. The new talook boundaries which were approved, have been fixed as proposed, and no orders are required on this part of the question. With reference to the suggestion of Government that certain villages not belonging to Vittikuttey but surrounded by it, might be included in the limits of that talook, the Board quote an opinion of the Collector of Trichinopoly to the effect that there are no more villages which could be transferred from Madura to Vittikutty with advantage. The Government will only remark that they believe that the villages to which their former order referred as so situated, belonged to a part of Madura which has since been transferred to Trichinopoly, so that, no interchange of villages between two Districts would take place by the measure formerly advocated, but only between two talooks of the same District.

3. As to the new frontier between South Arcot and Trichinopoly, both Mr. Bird and Mr. Hall have found themselves unable to suggest any better adjustment than the one objected to by Government, and Mr. Hall thus expresses himself in a letter to the Collector of Trichinopoly dated 29th November 1856 "I should sign a list of villages simply as an act
Para 6. "of obedience to Government, and not from a conviction that the arrangement directed by the Government was the best which can be made. I did not hastily come to "my conclusion but gave my opinion after much consideration, and from a previous personal "knowledge of the locality to which I have subsequently added further experience by residing "some time in the neighbourhood. * * *"

4. Under these circumstances the Government will not press their objections, and the transfer of villages, as originally proposed in para. 6 of the Board's proceedings dated 16th September 1856, may be carried out as soon as the Woodiarpollium Talook is surveyed and re-assessed.

5. It appears from the map now submitted that Tiroopungaly and three other villages in the Torioor talook, but almost surrounded by Lalgoody, have not been transferred to the latter. The Government would be glad to learn if there are any objections to this step, as also whether some arrangement cannot be made for changing with Madura, Illipoor and its surrounding villages, now quite isolated from the Conâd talook to which they belong, for other villages nearer to Trichinopoly; for some, in fact, situated between the present isolated group of villages, and the present Southern boundary of the Conâd talook.

(Signed) W. H. BAYLEY,
Acting Secretary to Government.

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(A true Extract.)

Secretary.

To

H. FORBES, Esq.,

Acting Secretary to Government, R. D.

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Revenue Depart

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changes proposed in the limits
of some of the Talks in Tuticorin
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to the Tuticorin and South
Arcot Boundary, and directed
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to be interchanged should be
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2. The Board of Revenue now

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3. As to the new frontier between South Arcot and Trichinopoly, both the Board and Mr Ball have found themselves unable to suggest any better adjustment than the one objected to by Govt. and Mr Ball has thus expressed himself in a letter to the Collector of Trichinopoly dated 19 November 1856

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4. Under these circumstances
the Govt will not meet their
objections, and the transfer
~~originally proposed~~ of
villages, as originally proposed
in Para 6 of the Boards pro-
ceedings dated 16 Sept 1856,
may be carried out as soon as
the Coolies employed
surveyed and depeped.
~~The Govt would however observe~~
~~that the boundary as indi-~~
~~cated in the rough~~
~~sketch attached to the~~
~~proceedings of the Board~~
~~would cause there that~~
~~something should be added~~
~~to the Jaffna Corporation~~
~~for boundary from south~~

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~~may perhaps be undesirable, &~~
~~that boundaries which seem~~
~~adapted enough to the present~~
~~plan, may be found liable~~
~~to local peculiarities.~~

5. It appears from the Rate
now submitted that Tirupur-
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present isolated group of

villages, and the present
Lutheran boundary of the
Canal St. Lieh a vacataire

W.A. April 26

Copie de la Lettre de Rev.
avec le Croquis de Plan.
Dépêche 17

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Dep. to Govt. 18th May

No. 29
Extract Mins. of Govt.
Dep. 14th May 1858.

From the Secretary to the Govt. of Bo.
dated 17th June 1858 & No. 964 in Govt.
Bombay

Observing that under the
circumstances represented by the Collr.
of Sattara it the Government will
not press their objections to an inter-
change of certain Villages with the
District of Trichinopoly and the
limits per of Villages as originally
proposed in Para: 6 of the Board's
Proceedings dated 16 September 1856
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Woodiarpalliam Talook is surveyed
and re-aforesaid

No. 1041

Collr Sattara & Atty