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Fort Saint George, Revenue Consultation of 2d July 1858.

No. 16. Read the following letter from H. NEWILL, Esq., Director of Revenue Settlement; to W. H. BAYLEY, Esq., Acting Secretary to Government; Fort Saint George dated Madras 27th May1858, No. 269.

SIR,

Dated 26th Instant.

1. I have the honor to enclose an application from the Superintendent of Revenue Survey for sanction for certain alterations he finds it necessary to make for the present in the salaries of his establishment to accommodate them to the present circumstances of the survey.

2. Captain Priestley proposes to retain for a while in the Trichinopoly party about 30 Volunteers on pay varying from 3-8 to 5 Rupees per mensem, this charge being defrayed from portions of the full salaries of several of the survey servants, who will be entertained on a somewhat lower scale than that sanctioned until they are fully efficient for their duty.

3. A greater latitude still will be required for Volunteers in the Rajahmundry party now under organization.

4. This arrangement for Volunteers, which is essential in the earlier stages of the survey, was not provided for in Captain Priestley's Estimates which had reference to efficient working parties. He contemplates the absorption of the Volunteers in the Trichinopoly party into the fixed establishment at an early period.

Para. 2.

5. He proposes an alteration in the pay of Moochees as follows:

	Pay as per sanctioned scale.	Proposed.	
		Addition.	Standard of pay.
	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.	Rs. A. P.
Head Moochee, ...	5 8 0	2 8 0	8 0 0
Moochee, ...	4 8 0	1 8 0	6 0 0
Do.	4 8 0	1 0 0	5 8 0
Do.	4 8 0	0 0 0	4 8 0
Total...	19 0 0	5 0 0	24 0 0

The increase is proposed by the Deputy Superintendent to be met by the appropriation of the chucklers pay, viz., Rupees 5 for the purpose.

Dated 11th March 1858, *No. 422.*

6. The above arrangements require to have effect from the establishments entering upon their new footing under the recent sanction of the Government of India.

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7. Captain Priestley further considers that it would be to the advantage of the public service if he were allowed the descretion of increasing as well as decreasing the rate of salary of servants according to their qualifications and efficiency. If the Government accord this permission, the outline of the sanctioned establishment may still be adhered to; and in favor of its being granted may be alleged the different circumstances of the several Districts far distant apart, and the precedent in the Calcutta Presidency of allowing the Superintendents of Survey the descretion of apportioning the total for their respective parties in any way they find best suited for the furtherance of their duty.

From Captain F. J. B. PRIESTLEY, Superintendent of Revenue Survey; to H. NEWILL, Esq., Director of Revenue Settlement, dated Madras 26th May 1858.

SIR,

In forwarding for your perusal a letter received from Lieutenant Hessey, Deputy Superintendent Revenue Survey, I have the honor to request that the sanction of Government be obtained for retaining the services of the few Volunteers not as yet absorbed into the fixed Establishment.

2. Of the 60 Volunteers entertained 35 have been provided for and the others will doubtless be taken on the fixed Establishment at no very distant period.

3. With regard to Moochies it appears that I have estimated for their pay at too low a rate, and I therefore request that Lieutenant Hessey's proposal of paying the Head Moochy 8 Rupees, the second 6 Rupees, the third Rupees 5-8 and the fourth Rupees 4-8 instead of respectively Rupees 5-8, Rupees 4-8, Rupees 4-8, Rupees 4-8, be complied with.

4. It was to prevent these trivial applications that I requested discretionary power to be given to myself and the Deputy Superintendents and fear that unless a wider discretion is granted, there will be continued references on such petty subjects necessarily made to Government.

5. I am still of opinion that the pay of individuals should be apportioned according to their respective qualifications always provided that the sum sanctioned be not exceeded.

6. It sometimes happens that in order to retain a really valuable man his pay must be raised a little above the sum estimated, the difference can always be made up by giving to inferior men a rate of pay slightly less than that sanctioned.

7. The Pay Abstracts passing through my hands any great deviation from the fixed rate would at once be perceived and only permitted on satisfactory reasons being adduced.

8. Such unimportant changes as those now in question, as to whether a Moochy should have a Rupee or two more per mensem, may I think be best left to the officer in charge of the party, who is responsible for due performance of work by it.

(True Copy.)

(Signed) H. NEWILL,
Director of Revenue Settlement.

No. 17. ORDER THEREON, No. 873; dated 24th June 1858.

The Right Honorable the Governor in Council sanctions the arrangements recommended in paras. 2 and 5, which will take effect, as proposed in para. 6, from the date on which the Survey and Settlement Establishments were organized, under the recent sanction of the Government of India.

2. With regard to the discretionary authority applied for in para. 7, the Governor in Council disapproves of constant petty changes of salary, as making it uncertain to the subordinates what their real emolument is. He is of opinion that it will be sufficient if such re-arrangements of salary as may be considered necessary, are submitted for sanction together at intervals of three months; and he desires that no alterations may be made in the authorized scale, without the consent of Government previously obtained.

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

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Extract from the Minutes of Consultation under date the 24th June 1858.

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To Colonel the Honorable Resident Settlement Dispatch

" Account of Civil Expenditure
with Copy of the
" Civil Auditor's Letter
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11th May — 47 748
12th March — 97 798
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From W. Newell Esqr Director
of Revn Settlt 28th Febry 1858 374
" in Cons° 7th April " 831/4

Sanctioning the
Alterations proposed by
the Director of Revenue
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