Ravenna Departement

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(In Consultation 3rd January 1859, No. 18.)

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3. Subsequently however the Officiating Agent reported that he had allowed the Head Serishtadar to do his work at his own house from the 1st to 20th February, in consequence of indisposition; and on the 21st idem (Venkata Row being still in ill health) the Naib Serishtadar was appointed to act for him, which he continued to do till the 30th March 1858, on which date the Head Serishtadar returned to his duty.

4. No application was made for the grant of sick leave to the Head Serishtadar for the period during which the Naib acted for him, nor does he possess a Certificate of illness as required by Sections 3, 4 and 5 of the Uncovenanted Service Absentee Rules. But on the refusal of Doctor Miller to give the Head Serishtadar the necessary Certificate, because he had not attended him, Venkata Row obtained one from the Native Doctor, who treated him during his illness, a copy of which is forwarded by the Collector, and leaves no doubt that Venkata Row was really in ill health.

To Officiating Agent 18th March 1858.
From Govt. 5th in Consultation 15th June 1858, No. 763, Revenue Department.

5. Under these circumstances, the Board support the Collectors' recommendation that sanction be granted for payment to the Head Sheristadar of his salary for the periods and in the proportions specified below, and for disbursing to the Naib Serishtadar 175 Rupees, being the half pay of the former from 21st February to 30th March 1858, the period the latter acted for the former Officer.

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Full pay and allowances from 31st March 1858, at 525 Rupees per mensem being the day on which he took charge of his office.	16	15	0
Total Rs....	874	8	4

6. Ordered that a copy of the foregoing Proceedings be submitted for the consideration and orders of Government.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) W. HUDLESTON, *Sub-Secretary.*

No. 30. ORDER THEREON, No. 91; dated 22d January 1859.

Referred to the Civil Auditor for report.

(Signed) J. D. BOURDILLON,
Secretary to Government.

No. 18 From The Honorable D. ARBUTHNOTT, Collector of KURNOOL,
dated Kurnool, 28th December 1858, No. 139.

1. I have the honor to report for the favorable consideration of the Board the case of Venkatarow Head Sheristadar of this District whose salary for the months of February and March last has not been disbursed to him.

2. Venkatarow performed the duties of his Office up to the 20th February* last and applied for privilege leave on the 21st but the Civil Auditor declined granting it, on the grounds that he would have been entitled to it had he not overstaid the 15 days allowed for casual* leave; this he did not do as will be seen from the circumstances mentioned at the commencement of this para. In the meantime he so far recovered his health as to be enabled to return to his duty, and Captain Russell then Officiating Commissioner ordered him on the 30th March to do so and he took charge of his Office on the 31st Idem in which he has continued ever since.

* Previous to this he had been allowed to *do his work* at his own house by Captain Russell.

* This permission it appears the Civil Auditor considers to be "Casual leave."

3. Although Vencatarow possesses no certificate of illness from the Assistant Surgeon,* which was refused though applied for, yet there is no doubt that he was ailing, as is proved by the accompanying certificate granted by the Native doctor who treated him during his illness and from Dr. Miller's letter* to the Officiating Assistant Commissioner in charge, copy of which was forwarded to the Board with Lieutenant Groves' letter dated 4th March 1858, No. 11.

* Dr. Miller declined to give a certificate because he had not attended Venkatarow, attendance was not necessary as pointed out by the Board in their letter of the 1st March 1858 No. 968.

* 1st March 1858. No. 85.

4. Under the circumstances it appears to me that Venkatarow is entitled to the sum of Rupees 874-8-4 and I therefore beg to recommend that he be allowed to draw that amount as follows.

	Rs.	A.	P.
Full pay and allowances at 525 Rupees per mensem from the 1st to 20th February 1858, both days inclusive being the days he actually performed his duties...	375	0	0
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5. During the time the Head Sheristadar was ill the Naib Sheristadar was appointed to act for him viz., from the 21st February to 30th March 1858 both days inclusive for which he is entitled to Rupees 175-7-9 being half pay at Rupees 280 per mensem, I have the honor to request that sanction may be obtained to disburse this amount also to Venkatarow Naib Sheristadar of this District.

Enclosure.—I hereby certify that Venkatarow Head Sheristadar of Kurnool has been under my medical treatment since 21st February to 30th March 1858, as he has been suffering from a boil on his left leg during that period.

Mark of NUSEEB KHAN,
DOWLUTZY Native Doctor,
and an inhabitant of Kurnool.

(True Copy.)
(Signed) D. ARBUTHNOTT,
Collector.

No. 968.

From

G. S. FORBES, Esq.,

Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

To

Lieutenant H. L. GROVE,

Offg. Assistant Agent at Kurnool.

Sir,

In con. 18th March 1858.

I am directed by the Board of Revenue to reply to your letter of the 4th instant, requesting their instructions in reference to an extension of leave on Sick Certificate, required by the Head Sheristadar.

2. It appears from your letter, and from the statement of Dr. Miller, that the Sheristadar is suffering from a Carbuncle, and is quite unable to attend to his duties. Dr. Miller however objects to give him a certificate of illness in the usual form, on account of his having previously declined his visits, and those of the Dresser attached to your establishment.

3. It appears that on applying for an extension of leave on Sick Certificate, the Sheristadar was visited by Dr. Miller, and that this officer has expressed himself satisfied that the Sheristadar is incapacitated by sickness for the performance of his duty. As the Government do not compel their servants to receive medical treatment which is repugnant to their inclination or prejudices (as the case may be,) but simply require that when leave is sought on Sick Certificate a Medical officer shall certify that it is called for by the state of the applicant's health, the Board do not see how Dr. Miller can refuse to certify thus much in Vencata Row's case.

4. As the Board do not find that Venkat Row, though preferring Native medical treatment, has objected to be visited by, or to present himself before, Dr. Miller, who is the proper officer to give a certificate, it is unnecessary for them to enter into any discussion regarding the caste of the Medical Subordinate, but they must express their disapprobation that the Officiating Assistant Agent should have erroneously and unnecessarily made it a question of Heathenism and Christianity.

5. If any cause hinders the Dresser from performing the duties of his office, it is open to his immediate superiors to bring the subject to the notice of the Department with whom the appointment of Medical Subordinates rests. The Board of Revenue do not feel called upon to enter into that question, or to lay the present papers before Government.

Revenue Board Office,
Fort Saint George,
18*th March* 1858.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,

(Signed) G. S. FORBES,
Secretary.

No. 1406.

From

G. S. FORBES, Esq.,

Secretary to the Board of Revenue.

To

CAPTAIN J. G. RUSSELL,

Officiating Agent at Kurnool.

SIR,

In Con. 21st April 1858.

With reference to your letter dated 17th March 1858, forwarding copy of letters received from your Head Sheristadar, requesting to be allowed three months' privilege leave from the 21st February, he having been absent from Office on sick leave for 20 days previous to that date, I am desired by the Board of Revenue to communicate the Report* of the Civil Auditor on that application, from which it appears that Vencata Row, is not entitled to leave under Section VII, but that he may obtain it under Sections III, IV and V of the Rules, on producing a Medical Certificate.

* Dated 15th April 1858.

2. Had Vencata Row not been absent above 15 days (the limit of casual leave allowed under order of Government* by Heads of Departments to their Uncovenanted Officers) he would have been entitled to privilege leave.

* Vide Fort Saint George Gazette, April 1st 1858, p. 587. Notification Government of India No. 12 Financial Department, dated 19th March 1858.

I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your most obedient servant,
(Signed) G. S. FORBES,
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REVENUE BOARD OFFICE,
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Sub Secretary.

To

J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, R. D.

Copy to Collector of Kurnool.

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Extt. Proc. of the Bd. of Rev. 17th June
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Submitting a letter
from the Collector of Kurnool
reporting the circumstances under
which his Head Sheristadar has
not drawn pay for the Months
of February and March 1858;
recommending that sanction be
granted for its disbursement for
periods and in the proportions
specified within.

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With an order

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Reported to the Civil
Auditor for report.

Fort St. Geo.
22nd January 1859.

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