

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.

1075-

Press
Mis.—

Dated *12th. August 1859.*

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No. 45. Read the following Proceedings from the Government of India; dated 31st May 1859, No. 1094.

Read the following letter from J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to the Government of Fort St. George.

Requesting sanction for an increase to the Establishment of the Secretariat in the Revenue and Public Works Departments at a monthly expenditure of Rupees 650. } (Here enter 19th March 1859, No. 362.)

No. 45. A. ORDER THEREON, 11th August 1859, No. 1075.

In their resolution of the 27th May 1859, No. 4283, in the Financial Department, the Government of India sanction the increase applied for by this Government to the Establishment attached to the Revenue and Public Works Departments of the Secretariat, viz. an Uncovenanted Assistant and five Clerks at a total cost of Rupees 650 per mensem. But adverting to the change recently ordered in the system of reporting the Proceedings of this Government, a change which the Supreme Government remark will materially diminish the work of the office, this sanction is accorded as a temporary measure for one year, subject to report at the expiration of that period.

2. One cause assigned in applying for the increase was that with the existing Establishment "General letters" to England have necessarily ceased in this Department for several years; but this was not the sole cause. The practice of sending "General letters" having been discontinued, the whole of the increase asked for will not be required; and the Secretary in this Department has carefully revised the existing Establishment with the view of forming one equal to the duties to be done, and at the same time of saving as much as possible of the sanction now received. The result is an Establishment to cost Rupees 3,926 monthly being less by Rupees 286-12-0 than the total sanction, as shewn in the margin.*

3. The Establishment as thus revised is given in the annexed Statement. The Government now sanction that scale and direct that as vacancies occur the Establishment shall be remodelled according to it. In the mean time the Civil Auditor will be instructed to pass the monthly indents of the office under the signature of the Secretary to the extent of Rupees 3,926.

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

	Rs.	A.	P.
* Existing Establishment.....	3,562	12	0
New sanction.....	650	0	0
Total available.....	4,212	12	0
To be appropriated at present.....	3,926	0	0
Present saving.....	286	12	0

Proceedings of the Madras Government, Revenue Department,
from 6th to 12th August 1859.

Present and Proposed Establishments in the Revenue and Public Works Departments.

No.	Present scale.				No.	Proposed scale.			
		Rs.	A	P			Rs.	A	P
1	Uncovenanted Assistant	500			1	Uncovenanted Assistant	500		
1	Do.	300			1	Do.	300		
1	Do.	200			1	Do.	200		
1	Do.	175			1	Do.	175		
1	Registrar.	300			1	Registrar.	300		
1	Deputy do.	110			1	Deputy Do.	125		
1	Assistant do.	100			1	Assistant Do.	100		
1	Clerk...	150			1	Examiner	105		
2	Clerks at 100 Rupees each	200			1	Do.	85		
1	Clerk...	85			1	Do.	70		
1	Examiner...	105			1	Indexer	120		
1	Do.	85			1	Assistant do.	85		
1	Do.	80			1	Do. do.	60		
1	Do.	70			3	Clerks at 70 Rs. each	210		
1	Indexer	120			4	Do. at 50	200		
1	Do.	60			8	Do. at 40	320		
4	Clerks at 50 Rupees each.	200			8	Do. at 35	280		
3	Do. at 40	120			10	Do. at 25	250		
4	Do. at 35	140			12	Do. at 20	240		
7	Do. at 30	210			3	Attenders at 10 Rs. each.	30		
8	Do. at 25	200			1	Moochee...	14		
1	Do.	21			1	Do.	12		
14	Do. at 20	280			1	Do.	10		
16	Do. at 15	240			1	Head peon	10		
2	Moochees at 10½	21			9	Peons at 7 Rs. each.	63		
1	Moochee	8			8	Do. at 6	48		
1	Head Peon.	8			2	Lascars at 7	14		
9	Peons at 7 Rupees each...	63							
7	Do. at 6	42							
1	Peon...	5							
2	Lascars at 7	14							
97	Total...	4,212	12	84		Total...	3,926		
						Saving...	286	12	

REVENUE DEPARTMENT.
FORT SAINT GEORGE,
19th March 1859.

No. 362.

From

J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq.,
Secretary to the Government of Fort Saint George.

To

The Secretary to the Government of India.

SIR,

I am directed by the Right Honorable the Governor in Council to submit for the consideration and orders of the Government of India an Extract Minutes Consultation of this date, explaining the necessity of increasing the efficiency of the Establishment attached to the Secretariat in the Revenue and Public Works Departments.

2. The Government of India will observe from this paper the present condition of this branch of the Secretariat as brought to the notice of this Government by their Secretary. The Establishment is unable to cope with the work of the office, and the consequence is that the business of reporting the general Proceedings of Government to the Home Authorities has been wholly given up for several years. As respects other business, papers coming before Government cannot be disposed of with regularity or punctuality; important papers are often greatly delayed; and orders on Despatches from England cannot be passed till long after the proper time.

3. In 1855 a representation of a similar character was met by the addition to the Secretariat of a Covenanted Deputy, an Uncovenanted Assistant, and some Clerks and others, the whole involving a monthly expenditure of Rupees

1,600. But this increase was insufficient, in consequence of the business continuing to increase, especially in the Department of Public Works under its new organization. The late Court of Directors in their letter of the 2d July 1856, No. 8, complained of having received no information as to the Proceedings of this Government in connection with the Godavery and Kistnah Annicuts since February 1855; and they were informed in reply that notwithstanding the increase just mentioned, the correspondence had so greatly increased as to engage the whole time of the officials, Covenanted and Uncovenanted, and that it was unavoidable that the work of reporting Proceedings should be in arrears.

4. The following Statement shews the amount of the business in different years.

	Letters received.	Letters sent.	Total.
	No.	No.	No.
1851...	3,041	2,624	5,665
1852...	3,090	3,125	6,215
1853...	3,148	2,810	5,958
1854...	3,359	3,207	6,566
1855...	4,114	3,316	7,430
1856...	4,655	3,773	8,428
1857...	4,199	3,763	7,962
1858...	5,222	4,555	9,777

The increase since 1855 has been quite sufficient to explain the continued difficulty of keeping down arrears, notwithstanding the augmentation of Establishment given in 1856.

5. But the portion of the work most urgently demanding attention is that of reporting Proceedings to England. The following Memo. shews the present state of that part of the business.

Memorandum of the dates up to which the Proceedings of Government have been reported to the Home Government.

Revenue Despatches.

- On Public Works undertaken for the improvement of Revenue, to October and November 1854.
- On Inams and Shrotriums, to September and October 1855.
- On Yeomials and Pensionary allowances, to June 1854.
- On Customs, to September and October 1854.
- On Establishments and Allowances, to October and November 1854.
- On Miscellaneous subjects not included in the above, to December 1856.

P. W. Despatches. { On Public Works undertaken for the improvement of the country, to October and November 1854.
The Proceedings regarding the reorganization of the Public Works Department have also not yet been reported.

6. It thus appears that with the exception of miscellaneous matters, which are in arrear only twenty six months, and Inams and Shrotriems which are in arrears forty months, all other branches of business are in arrear as much as four years and three months, while the Proceedings in the matter of Yeomiahs and Pensions have not been reported since 1854, or for four years and eight months.

7. This is a state of things utterly at variance with the wishes and orders of the Home Authorities, and quite an anomaly in the Indian administration; and the Governor in Council has considered it necessary to take immediate measures to remedy it.

8. It seems to this Government needless to enquire further whether the Establishment is unequal to its work, as the fact is so plainly asserted by the late Commissioner for the revision of Civil Salaries and Establishments throughout India. After a careful consideration of the state of the case, and a comparison of this office with those of other Secretariats in other parts of India, Mr. Ricketts declared his conviction that an augmentation to the extent of 1,000 Rupees a month was required. His language is as follows: "I believe the immediate appointment for two additional Clerks on 150 Rupees each, four at 100, and 6 on Rupees 50 each per mensem, the aggregate expense Rupees 1,000 per mensem, to be necessary to place the office in an efficient footing, and secure the disposal, without objectionable delay, of the

"business which comes before Government;"

*Extract from Mr. Ricketts' report, para. 37. and this was in addition to large augmentations to the salaries of the existing Uncovenanted servants.† Mr. Ricketts added however, "as the

† Ibid para. 31

"Secretary asks for only one Uncovenanted

"Assistant and two superior Clerks, I hesitate to propose a larger addition than an Assistant on 150 Rupees per mensem, and two Clerks on Rupees 100 per mensem each."

9. Considering the present state of the work as above set forth, the Governor in Council requests that he may be permitted to appoint a portion of the increase described by Mr. Ricketts to be required for the proper performance of the work of the office, such as shall be sufficient to provide for the regular reporting of the Proceedings of Government, as well as to give more aid towards the disposal of the business of the office; leaving for after consideration the question as to the complete adoption of that Gentleman's proposition, after trial of this partial adoption of it.

10. The additions recommended are as follow:

	Rs.
One Uncovenanted Assistant on	200
One Clerk on	150
Two do. at 100	200
Two do. at 50	100
Total...	650

Of this increase it is intended that a portion, the Assistant and the two Clerks at 100 Rupees, aided by inferior servants from the General Establishment, are to be set aside exclusively for the preparation of letters to England. The first object will be to report current Proceedings so as to keep the Home Authorities as nearly as possible acquainted with the course of events here; the work of bringing up the heavy arrears above adverted to, will be carried on simultaneously as far as time may permit. The rest of the increase, viz. the Clerk on 150 and the two at 50 Rupees will be employed on the general business of the office, with the view of preventing the delays which now occur unavoidably, as well as of relieving the now overworked Establishment.

11. A Statement in the prescribed form accompanies.

I have the honor to be,

Sir,

Your most obedient Servant,

(Signed) J. D. BOURDILLON,

Secretary to Government.

Exd. H. M. Elliot.

N. 270

Forwarded to the Financial Department for consideration and orders.

Home Dep^t
The 9th April
1859

By order, &c.
J. P. Chapman
Under Secy to the Govt of India

Fort William
Financial Department
The 27th May 1859

The Governor General in Council is of opinion that good grounds have been shown for an increase to the office establishment of the Secretary to the Government of Madras in the Revenue and Public Works Departments, but with reference to the change recently introduced at Madras in the system of reporting the Proceedings of that Government to the Home Authorities, which change will materially diminish the work of the Office, His Excellency in Council is pleased to sanction the increase applied for by the Madras Government (Rs. 650) as a temporary measure for one year subject to report at the expiration of that period.

Ordered that a copy of the above Resolution be sent to the Home Department for communication to the Government of Madras.

Ordered also that a copy of the Resolution be sent to the Civil Auditor Madras for information and guidance.

By order of the Governor General in Council

J. C. H. Lushington
Secy to the Govt of India

N. 1094

Copy forwarded to the Government of Fort St. George for information.

Fort William
Home Dep^t
The 31st May 1859
By order
J. P. Chapman
Under Secy to the Govt of India

R. D.

No 1075

Proceedings of the Madras Government
Under date the 11th August 1859.

Read the following
letter from the Under
Secretary to the Government
of India.

Sanctioning as a tempo-
rary measure for one year the
increase applied for in the es-
tablishment of the Govt Sec-
ariat in the Revenue & Public
Works Departments. (Here enter 31st May 1859.)
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In their resolution
of the 27th May 1859 No 1283
in the Financial De-
partment, the Govt of
India sanction the
increase applied for
by this Govt to the es-
tablishment attach-
ed to the Revenue
and Public Works De-
partments of the Sec-
ariat, viz, an Uncom-
missioned Assistant and
five clerks at a total

This is very
"creditable" to
Mr. Bourdillon

Revenue 1859 Sept 11th
D. of Govt 12th Oct 1859

From the Under Secy to
the Govt of India -

Dated 31st May 1859
R.D. 14 June -

24th 1095. 11th August 1859.

Sanctioning as a tempo-
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of the Govt Secretariat in
the Revenue & Public Works
Departments.

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 monthly being less
 by Rs 286-12-0 than
 the total sanction,
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* Existing Estab^t — 3562-12-0
 New sanction — 650-0-0
 Total available — 4212-12-0
 To be appropri-
 ated at present } 3926-0-0
 Present saving — 286-12-0

3. The Establishment as thus revised is given in the annexed statement. The Govt. now sanctions that scale and since that as a vacancy occurs the Establishment shall be remodelled according to it. On the 1st of the year time the Civil Auditor will be instructed to pass the monthly income of the office under the signature of the Secretary to the Govt. of Rupees 3926.

[Signature]

1 Copy to the Account Genl. Disb. 16
 3 — " — " Civil Auditor

Present and Proposed Establishments in the Revenue and Public Works Departments.

No.	Present scale.			No.	Proposed scale.		
		Rs.	A P			Rs.	A P
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2	Clerks at 100 Rupees each	200	...	1	Do.	85	...
1	Clerk...	85	...	1	Do.	70	...
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4	Clerks at 50 Rupees each	200	...	8	Do. at 35 "	280	...
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1	Peon...	5	...				
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Total...		4,212	12 84	Total...		3,926	...
				Saving...		286	12

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

Present and Proposed Establishments in the Rev. & P. H. Department

<i>Present scale</i>		<i>Proposed scale</i>	
<i>No.</i>	<i>Amount</i>	<i>No.</i>	<i>Amount</i>
1	Uncovenanted Assistant — 500	1	Uncovenanted Assistant — 500
1	D ^o — 300	1	D ^o — 300
1	D ^o — 200	1	D ^o — 200
1	D ^o — 175	1	D ^o — 175
1	Registrar — 300	1	Registrar — 300
1	Deputy D ^o — 110	1	Deputy D ^o — 125
1	Assist. D ^o — 100	1	Assist. D ^o — 100
1	Clerk — 150	1	Examiner — 105
2	Clerks @ 100 Rs each — 200	1	D ^o — 85
1	Clerk — 85	1	D ^o — 70
1	Examiner — 105	1	Indexer — 120
1	D ^o — 85	1	Assist. D ^o — 85
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1	D ^o — 70	3	Clerks @ 70 Rs each — 210
1	Indexer — 120	4	D ^o @ 50 — 200
1	D ^o — 60	8	D ^o @ 40 — 320
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3	D ^o @ 40 — 120	10	D ^o @ 25 — 250
4	D ^o @ 35 — 140	12	D ^o @ 20 — 240
7	D ^o @ 30 — 210	3	Attenders @ 10 — 30
8	D ^o @ 25 — 200	1	Moocher — 14
1	D ^o — 21	1	D ^o — 12
11	D ^o @ 20 — 280	1	D ^o — 10
16	D ^o @ 15 — 240	1	Head peon — 10
2	Moochers @ 10 1/2 — 21	9	Peons @ 7 Rs each — 63
1	Moocher — 8	8	D ^o @ 6 — 48
1	Head peon — 8	2	Lascars @ 7 — 14
9	Peons @ 7 Rs each — 63		
7	D ^o @ 6 — 42		
1	Peon — 5		
2	Lascars @ 7 — 14		
<i>Total</i>		<i>Total</i>	
	4212 12 84		3926

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Note. The situations marked * and two of those marked & are places lately sanctioned and have not yet been filled up.

Saving — 286

Revenue 1857 Depart^t
Pro: of Govt 12th August.

N: 1075.

Pro: of the Madras Gov^t -
Df 11th August 1857.

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Sanctioning the scale
for remodelling the Establish^t
attached to the Revenue and
Public Works Departments of
the Secretariat -

N: 45 & 45c.