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from 24th September to 4th October 1859.*

No. 7. Read the following letter from C. PELLY, Esq., Member of the Board of Revenue; to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government Revenue Department dated 18th September 1859, No. 23.

I have the honor with reference to the orders of Government 17th June last No. 803 to submit for the consideration and orders of Government a letter from Mr. G. S. Forbes Collector of Ganjam suggesting but not recommending a scheme for the rearrangement of the taluqs of that Collectorate accompanied by a sketch map.

2. In Mr. Bourdillon's memo, para. 17 it is suggested that the 5 Revenue Taluq of Ganjam might be thrown into two. Mr. Forbes considers that impracticable, and suggest to taluqs. He proposes to combine the large taluq of Goomsoor with the resumed estate of Sooradah which adjoins it. This would be the Northern taluq with an area of 1,031 square miles and a revenue of about 1½ lac of Rupees. I approve of this proposition.

3. The 3 central taluq of Poobacondah, Mohery, and Ichapore, he would retain as they are, or at least make only two taluqs out of the three, making the line of division through the centre of the Mohery taluq. He would in that case make the large town of Berhampore which would be on the proposed border of the two taluq the Cusbah of the Southern west; and the town of Poorsulpore, situated on the extreme north of the Northernmost, the Cusbah of that taluq. The area of each of the two new taluqs would then only be about 287 square miles and the revenue under 1½ lac of Rupees.

4. I cannot recommend this Division at all there is nothing in my opinion to commend it. It still leaves the area of a small size and places the cusbah stations very inconveniently.

5. In place of this I would beg to recommend that the taluqs be made one, with the Cusbah station at the central large town of Berhampore. The area would then be only 5½ square miles, not by any means too extensive. The revenue would be above 2½ Laes of Rupees; and with the head quarters at Berhampore the taluq would be compact and manageable.

6. The extreme southern taluq of Wádada is separated from the other revenue taluqs by the interposition of several Zemindary estates, and must be left as it is a separate taluq; unless it should be deemed advisable at any time to incorporate it with Vizagapatam Disiriet, to the Head Quarters of which district it is nearer by about 50 miles than it is to the Head Quarters of Ganjam. The area of Wádada is only 336 square miles, but its revenue is above 2 laes of Rupees, I have therefore the honor to recommend that the future taluqs of Ganjam be as follows:

No.	Names of Taluqs.	No. of Villages.	Population.	Corrected area.	Revenue of 1268 Fusly.
1	Gumsúr	824	1,05,089	1,031	1,49,940
2	Moheri	444	1,93,383	574	2,74,706
3	Wádada	235	1,25,603	336	2,07,309
	Total.....	1503	4,24,075	1,941	6,31,955

7. The number of villages in Goomsoor is very great, but they are mostly small and Mr. Forbes proposes to combine several together. Where the Zemindars cannot be trusted with any magisterial powers, it will be necessary to have magisterial officers as now in certain localities; but it will no doubt be the object of Government to encourage large landed proprietors to undertake the magisterial duties of their respective Zemindaries.

8. There are some inaccuracies and omissions in Mr. Forbes' letter and Statements which I shall point out to him, but they do not affect the proposed scheme.

No. 8. ORDER THEREON, 24th September 1859, No. 1339.

With this letter, Mr. Pelly submits one from the Collector of Ganjam respecting the re-arrangement of the Taluqs of that District in pursuance of the order of June 17th No. 803. At present the district contains six taluqs besides proprietary estates. They are Gumsúr at the extreme north, with the resumed estate of Surada adjoining it; the three taluqs of Púbaconda, Moherri and Ichapúr, on the coast about the centre of the district; and the taluq of Wádada in the extreme south. Mr. Forbes is averse to any change; but on the supposition that some

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diminution of number is necessary, he proposes to make the five taluqs into four, by dividing Moherri between Ichapur and Pabaconda, and the uniting of Surada to Gumsur. Mr. Pelly on the other hand, for reasons stated in para. 5, suggests that the three central taluqs should be made one to be called the Moherri taluq, with the town of Berhampore for the Cusbah; leaving Wadada as it is for the present.

2. The Government approve and sanction Mr. Pelly's proposal, with the modification that the name of the new taluq shall be Berhampore, and not Moherri. It will be of moderate extent, 574 square miles and the revenue will be no more than 2½ lacks. The Cusbah also will be very well placed.

Gumsur and Surada will be united into a single taluq; and Wadada from its isolation among proprietary estates must remain unaltered. The district will thus contain three Government taluqs.

3. Respecting the suggestion in para. 6, of the transfer of Wadada to Vizagapatam, the Government desire that Mr. Pelly will consider and report further, when bringing forward arrangements for the latter district. The Government would not be disposed to favor the transfer, unless some decided advantage should be offered. If the transfer is not made, Mr. Forbes' suggestions in para. 8 of his letter, as to the transfer to Vizagapatam of the detached villages in Wadada belonging to the Vizianagram Zemindary, and the placing under the Chicacole Police of two adjacent villages within the Vizagapatam boundary, may deserve Mr. Pelly's attention.

4. Mr. Pelly will deal with the numerous small villages in Gumsur under the 16th rule in para. 5 of the order respecting village establishments, dated 3rd September 1859, No. 1187.

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

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Under date the 24th September 1859

Read the following
letter from C. Pelly Esq.
Member of the Board
of Revenue.

Submitting for the
consideration of the
Board a letter from the
Commissioner suggesting the
re-arrangement of the Taluqs
in the District.

W. W.

With this letter
Mr. Pelly is furnished
and from the Collector
of Ganjam respecting the
re-arrangement of the Taluqs
of that District
in pursuance of the
order of Council of 1808.
At present the District
contains six Taluqs
besides proprietary
estates. They are fairly
situated at the extreme

north, with the ad-
joined states of Suria-
ra adjoining it; the
three taluqs of Pūba,
Kandā, Moherri and
Schapir on the coast
about the centre of
the district, and the
Taluq of Māda as near
the extreme south.
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to any change, but
on the supposition
that some diminu-
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a single Salug, and
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prietary estates
must remain un-
affected. The District
will thus contain
three joint Salugs.

3. Respecting the
suggestion in para-
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Wadada to Vizaga-
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firms that Mr. Dally
will consider and
report further, when
bringing forward ar-
rangements for the
latter District. The
fact would not be
disposed to favor the
transfer, unless some
satisfactory arrange-

should be offered.
The transfer is not
made, Mr. Forbes's sug-
gestions in para 6 of
his letter, as to the
transfer to Vizaga-
patam of the detach-
ed Villages in Wada-
da belonging to the
Vizagamagamin
array and the placing
under the Chinnole
Police of two adja-
cent Villages within
the Vizaga-patam
boundary, may be
presented to Mr. Dally at
Section.

4. Mr. Dally will
deal with the nu-
merous small vil-
lages in future ^{at} ~~under~~
under the 16th rule

in para 5 of the
order respecting
Village establishment
amendment dated 3. Sep.
1959 to 1187.

[Signature]

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Mr. Pelly

Board of Revenue.

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D^y 24th Septbr/59.
From Pelly Esq: 7th 9th Jan'y/60
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Mr. Pelly's proposal
respecting rearrangement
of Taluqs in Tanjavur, approved.

No 748.