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MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No. 1564	Press Mis.
Dated November 17, 1859.	

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No. 52. Read the following letter from H. NEWILL, Esq., Director of Revenue Settlement; to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government Revenue Department, Fort Saint George; dated 19th October 1859, No. 906.

No. 1307.

* *Dated 6th instant, No.* 822.

1. In reference to the Proceedings of the Madras Government dated 27th Ultimo, I have the honor to submit the accompanying explanation* of the Superintendent of Revenue Survey regarding the employment and distribution of the additional establishments proposed by him for the Rajahmundry and Masulipatam parties. Regarding the disposal of the men in recess, Captain Priestley proposes in para. 10 that discretion should be allowed according to circumstances.

2. With reference to para. 2 of the Government order I may explain that Captain Priestley ranges the number of hands required for measuring for each party between 268 and 348, the former being about 6 hands for each Ameen, and the latter at about 8 hands, including a few for Deputy and Topographical Surveyors. He however proposes to have only 180 men on fixed monthly pay, which is at the rate of about 4 to each Ameen and a few also to the Surveyors.

3. To make up the measurers to 6 or 8 persons, 2 or 4 hands may in some cases be found among the village servants; but in others Captain Priestley will have to supply cooly labor.

4. The discretionary sum of Rupees 300 would provide about 2 hands to the Ameens all round, so that Captain Priestley's proposal makes ample provision for all requirements.

No. 53. ORDER THEREON, 17th November 1859, No. 1564.

On the 7th June 1859, the Government acceded to an application of Mr. Newill for permission to supplement the deficient village aid by hiring extra hands for the Survey operations in the Rájámandri and Masulipatam Districts; and sanctioned the entertainment of the required servants on such pay as was found necessary at the expense, not of the Ráyats as proposed, but of the Revenue Survey. In his letter of the 21st September, Mr. Newill reported that the sanctioned plan had failed from the difficulty, as stated, of finding occasional laborers; and he begged that he might be authorized to entertain a permanent establishment of 181 measuring peons at a monthly expense of 801 Rupees for each of the Northern Survey parties, besides having a discretion to spend up to 300 Rupees a month for daily Kúlís in addition. Government thereupon asked how the proposed establishment was to be distributed and employed; what the number of additional hands would be, including Kúlís and village servants; and why permanent labor, as sanctioned in the order of the 7th June, had not been employed. Mr. Newill now submits a letter from the Superintendent of Survey, in reply to that enquiry.

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50	*Measurers at*	5	*Rupees*.....	250
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80	*do.*	4	.....	320
180				795
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			Rupees...	1,590

3 Under the circumstances stated, the Government are pleased to sanction a fixed establishment of 180 measurers for each of the two survey parties now working in Rájámandri and Masulipatam, at a monthly cost of 795 Rupees each, or 1,590 Rupees for both. They decline to sanction the Dafadár on 6 Rupees a month, as the use of such a servant is not apparent. The servants now sanctioned will be called "*measurers*," not "measuring peons." Government

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

Revenue Settlement Office,
Madras,
19th October 1859

No. 906

From,
H. Nedill Esqre
Director of Revenue Settlement

To,
J. D. Bourdillon Esqre
Secretary to Government
Revenue Department
Fort St. George

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x dated 6th Instant
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Fort St. Geo. 17th Nov.
Copy to H. Nedill Esqre
Director of Revenue Settlement
for information
By Order &c
J. D. Bourdillon Esqre
Secretary to Government
Revenue Department
Fort St. Geo.

Dated 19th October 1859
Rec. 20th
Ans. No. 906

Submitting explanation of the Superintendent Rev. Survey regarding the employment & distribution of the additional establishments required for the Measurement of the Rajahmundry & Masulipatam parties.

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I have the honor to be,
Sir,
Your Most Obedient Servant
H. Newill
Director of Revenue Settlement

To,
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Secretary to Government
Revenue Department
Fort St. Geo.

Revenue Dept

No 1564.

Proceedings of the Madras Government
Under date the 17th November October 1859.

Read the following
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Director of Revenue Settle-
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the Superintendent of Revenue
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to sanction the daily pay of 6 Rupees a month, as the use of such a servant is not apparent. The servants now sanctioned will be called "measurers", not "measuring peons". Government also grant discretionary authority to the officer at the head of each of the two survey parties, to spend a sum not exceeding 300 Rupees a month in hiring Kulis when a sufficient number of village vettis may not be forthcoming, and in addition to such vettis as may be employed. In accordance with Mr. Neville's recommendation the permanent advances sanctioned by Government in the orders noted in the margin, will be

No. 971.

transferred

transferred from the Deputy Director of Settlements to the Deputy Superintendent of Survey; the amount will be reduced to 400 Rupees.

4. As it does not appear that the measures will have any employment during the recess from field work, Government decline to allow them to be continued during that time. As proposed by Mr Newill in para 8 of his letter of the 21st September, the charges in both cases will be included in monthly contingent bills, and will be passed by the Civil Auditor under the countersignature of the Superintendent of Revenue Survey; and, as already determined, they will be debited to the general sanction for the Survey Depr

This order necessarily supersedes those dated 7th June 1859, No 758, and 20th July 1859, No 971, which are hereby cancelled.

5 The Governor in Council is not of opinion that the measure now sanctioned ought to add to the cost of the Survey. The reason for recommending it is that it is found impracticable to procure Village Talliar labour for the survey, and the number of days that an Amin is idle from this cause is stated by Captain Priestley to be very considerable.

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fixed servants, shewing particularly its effect on the number of persons employed, which will even then be in partial development, and suggesting any amendments of the plan that may seem expedient.

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13 " " Director of Rev. & Settlements
1 " " Accountant General
3 " " Civil Auditor

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Revenue 1859 Depart.t
Pro.s of Govt. 20th November.

No. 1564.

Pro.s of the Madras Govt.
Dated 17th November 1859.

Rd. 27th March 1860
Entry

from the Director of Rev. and Ag.e Dep.t
dated 8th May 1860. No. 978. & 7th May 1860.
No. 977.

Sanctioning a fixed establishment of 180 measures for each of the two Survey parties working in Rajahmundry and Masulipatam, at a Cost of Rupees 705 each with authority to send in for 300 Rs a month for daily Kulies.

No. 52 & 53.