

Revenue Department

No 305

Dated 11—3—1859

Fort Saint George, Revenue Consultation of 15th March 1859.

No. 29. Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Government of India, in the Financial Department, under date the 31st December 1858, No. 7974.

Read again the Financial Resolution, No. 583, dated the 30th January 1857.

Read an Extract from the Proceedings of this Government, in the Home Department, No. 3864, dated the 4th Instant, forwarding for consideration and orders, an Extract from a letter from the Government of Fort Saint George, proposing the commutation of pensions to secluded females, beyond the present limit of 20 Rupees per mensem.

Agra Civil Auditor's Manual for 1853, page 100.
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Under 10	13 Rs.	45 to 50	9½ Rs.
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Resolution.—The Honorable the President in Council observes that life-pensions not exceeding Rupees 12 and 20 per annum, were, previously to 1857, purchased by Government with the consent of the Pensioners, in the North Western Provinces and in the Punjab, respectively, by a present consolidated payment, calculated according to the scale shewn in the margin.

2. On the 30th January 1857, it was resolved, with reference to the limitation of purchasable pensions, that the larger limit of 20 Rupees per annum shall apply to all cases of life-pensions payable by Government under all the Presidencies and Administrations in India.

3. The Board of Revenue at Madras now propose, that the commutation of pensions to secluded females should be encouraged, by giving up the limit of Rupees 20 per annum, and that such pensions should be freely commuted on full proof of the existence, identity, and age of the Pensioner. The Government of Madras agree with the Board as to the desirableness of commuting these pensions, and think that the terms proposed are well suited to attain that object, but as commutation has been limited by the Supreme Government to pensions amounting to, or falling within 20 Rupees per annum, they submit the question for the decision of the Government of India.

4. The Honorable the President in Council agrees in the principle involved in the above proposition, but he is of opinion that it will be advisable at first to fix some limit as to the amount up to which pensions will be commutable; and before extending the system without limit, he desires that from every Presidency a Return should be obtained from as far back as possible, of all pensions to females that have lapsed by death, shewing in each case, age when pensioned, and age at death, with amount; so as to enable this Government to form some estimate of the expectation of life of Indian female Pensioners, upon paper. Meanwhile His Honor in Council sanctions the proposal of the Government of Fort Saint George, up to the limit of Rupees 20 a month.

ORDER—Ordered that a copy of the foregoing Resolution be communicated to the Home Department, with reference to the Extract from that Department above adverted to.

Ordered also that a copy of the Resolution be forwarded to the Civil Auditors, Fort William, Fort Saint George, Bombay, North Western Provinces, and the Punjab, with a request, that the Return alluded to therein may be prepared and furnished to this Department, for the information of this Government.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) C. HUGH LUSHINGTON,
Secy. to the Govt. of India.

No. 172.

Forwarded to the Government of Fort Saint George for information, with reference to Mr. Chief Secretary Pycroft's letter No. 1330, dated the 30th September last.

FORT WILLIAM,
Home Department,
The 21st January 1859. }

(By Order.)
(Signed) R. B. CHAPMAN,
Under Secy. to the Govt. of India.

Fort Saint George, Revenue Consultation of 15th March 1859.

No. 30. ORDER THEREON, No. 305; dated 11th March 1859.

Ordered to be communicated to the Board of Revenue for their information and for circulation among the Collectors.

2. The Board of Revenue and the Collectors will, it is hoped, endeavour to bring in the authority now conveyed by the Government of India to commute the pensions of females up to the limit of 20 Rupees per mensem; the rule hitherto in force having that the commutation should not extend to allowances above 20 Rupees per annum.

3. The Civil Auditor will be directed to furnish this Government with a copy of the report to be prepared by him under the order of the Government of India above recorded.

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

No. 7974
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(A true Extract)

B. M. Singh

Secretary to the Government of India.

*Con. 52 Oct 1882
11-10-94
I have been informed by the Secy to the Govt of India that the Govt of India have sanctioned the proposal of the Government of Fort Saint George, up to the limit of Rupees 20 a month.*

*15th March 1859
The request of the Secy to the Govt of India for sanctioning the proposal of the Government of Fort Saint George, up to the limit of Rupees 20 a month, is sanctioned.*

Revenue Department

N^o 305

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation

Under date the 11th March 1859

Read the following

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(Here enter 31st December/59
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[Signature]

3 Copies to the Secy of Secy. Dated 12th
— a Civil Auditor

Reverend Mr. Depharian
Boston: 15th March.

Abstract of Laws:
 1711-1750.

Proceedings of the 13th of Nov^r 1874
1839 & 1874 in bond 5th Aug.
1874

Requesting that the Doors

error to bring into practice the authority conveyed by the Gov^t of India to commit the persons excluded females up to the limit of 20 Rs per month, and that the said condition will furnish the Gov^t with a copy of the statement to be prepared by him under the said order of the Government of India.

Proc. of the Soc. of Am. 8, 29.
Augt 189. Dec. 1605 in Amer.
19th December 1817-183.

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