Revenue Department

No 3 15

Dated 12 - 3 - 1859

No. 47. Read the following Extract from the Proceedings of the Board of Revenue, dated 5th February 1859, No. 435.

Read letter from the Collector of North Arcot, dated 14th December 1858, No. 266. regarding the rates of assessment in the Sutwaid talook.

(In Con. 28th December 1858, No. 5656.)

1. In the foregoing letter Mr. Whittingham submits a scheme for the revision of such rates of assessment in the Suitwaid talook of North Arcot, as were left untouched or were only partially effected by the general revision recently carried into effect in that district.

2. The late revision extended to Sutwaid in common with the other talooks of the District, but the Assessment of that talook being comparatively light,* the higher rates only were ordered to be reduced, while the rest were simply brought to the nearest new rates in terms of the Rupee, accompanied by the correction of certain irregular and objectionable practices found there. With the substantial relief afforded by the general reduction of Assessment it was resolved that the remissions denominated Stull cummy and Shair pooldy should cease, but this rule however just elsewhere, virtually operates in imposing and extra demand in Sutwaid in all those cases in which the old Assessment remains the same or is only inconsiderably affected when brought to the nearest new rates, and this demand is further augmented by the road fund of 2 per cent. on the Assessment of the land in occupation. Mr. Whittingham's proposition is intended to remove this inequality.

* *Sutwaid was formerly part of Chingleput, and was not assessed on the same principles as North Arcot.*

To Govt. 23*rd April in Con.* 14*th May* 1855, *p.* 11, *No.* 460, *R. D.*

Stull cummy—part of a field (Survey field) not cultivated.

Shair pooldy—Land ploughed and prepared for the seed but not sown.

3. The details of the scheme are shewn in the statements which accompanied Mr. Whittingham's letter under consideration. With one exception the proposed rates of Assessment seem judiciously arranged. That exception has reference to those Manawary and Poonjah rates in which the proposed reduction falls below 5 per cent. of the old Assessment. The proposed relief in these cases is scarcely sufficient to cover the extra demand noticed above. This part of the scheme requires reconsideration and unless objections can be shewn to such a course, the Board are of opinion that, under the circumstances of the case, a further revision of these rates may be made, 5 per cent. below the old assessment being taken as about the minimum limit to which the reduction may be brought.

4. Statement No. 3 submitted by Mr. Whittingham exhibits the result of the arrangement as it now stands, involving, with the revision already sanctioned by Government a reduction of assessment for this talook amounting to Rupees 8,584 on the ayacut, of which Rupees 3,892 represents the additional relief newly proposed. This sum will be slightly increased by the further modification suggested in the preceding para. if approved.

Resolved that these proceedings be submitted for the orders of the Right Honorable the Governor in Council.

(A true Extract.)

(Signed) J. D. SIM, *Secretary.*

No. 48. ORDER THEREON, No. 315; dated 12th March 1859.

Para. 1. With these Proceedings the Board of Revenue forward a letter from the Collector of North Arcot submitting a scheme for a revision of the rates of assessment in the Sutwaid Talook, which were left untouched or were only partially modified in the general revision recently carried into effect in that District.

2. The Right Honorable the Governor in Council concurs in the views of the Board as stated in para. 3 of their Proceedings; and directs that the Collector's scheme, subject to the modification there proposed, be immediately carried into effect.

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

R.D.

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Extract from the Minutes of Consultation
Under date the 12th March 1859.

Read the following
Extract from the Proceedings
of the Board of Revenue -

(Here enter 5th February 1859 №435)

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Dy. to Govt. 16th March

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Extract Mins. of Govt.
Dated 10th March 1869.

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Directing that the
scheme of the Collector of
North Arcot for a revision
of the rates of Assessment
in the Cuttwaid Taloks
be carried into effect &c.

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