

MADRAS RECORD OFFICE.

Government of Madras.

Revenue DEPARTMENT.

G.O. No.	<i>A 93</i>	Press Mis.
Dated	<i>9 - A -</i>	18 <i>59</i>

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Fort Saint George, Revenue Consultation of 12th April 1859.

No. 35. Read the following letter from G. L. PRENDERGAST, Esq., Accountant General; to the Secretary to Government, Revenue Department; dated Paters Gardens, 24th March 1859, No. 427.

SIR,

1. I have the honor to acknowledge the receipt of Extract from the Minutes of Consultation under date the 3rd Instant, No. 268, calling for an explanation of the cause of the differences apparent between the "demand at the beginning of Fusly 1267" as shewn in the first column of the general abstract Statement of arrears of Land Revenue for 15 years, as it stood at the close of that year, and the net balance at the close of the previous Fusly vizt. 1266, entered in the last column of that year's Statement.

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* Demand at the beginning of Fusly 1267, as per statement forwarded to Govt. under date the 12th February 1859.....	51,59,538	2. In explanation of the difference, which amounts to Rs. 15,115 as marginally* indicated, I beg to state that under the orders of Government dated the 4th
Deduct demand for Fusly 1266.....	39,36,213	
	12,23,325	
Net balance at the end of Fusly 1266 as exhibited in the Statement dated 27th January 1858.....	12,08,210	
	15,115	
Difference.....		

September 1856, No. 941, the head "Sundry small Farms and Licenses" was abolished in public accounts from Fusly 1266,† but under the impression that those orders applied only to the Current demand and Collections and not to Arrears, the balances of former years on account of the above head, were allowed to remain up to Fusly 1265 under the head "balances of Sundry sources of Revenue;" but finding subsequently, that this view was incorrect, I instructed‡ the Collectors to transfer the balances outstanding up to the 30th April 1858, from that head to "Balances of Land Revenue;" and to this transfer is attributable the increase of Rupees 15,115 in the column headed "demand at the beginning of Fusly 1267" as exhibited in the Statement for Fusly 1267, over the net balance shewn in the statement for the preceding Fusly.

† Official year 1856-57.

‡ Vide Circular dated 31 July 1858.

§ To Land Revenue have been chiefly credited from Fusly 1266, the items hitherto credited to Sundry small Farms and Licenses.

3. I shall take an early opportunity of requesting the Board's opinion as to the mode they would wish to adopt in order that future Statements of the description in question may undergo verification in their office, and, on the receipt of a reply, will report to Government the result as directed in their above orders.

No. 36. ORDER THEREON, No. 493; dated 9th April 1859.

The Government await the receipt of the explanation called for from the Board of Revenue in para. 3 of Extract Minutes Consultation dated 3rd March 1859, No. 268, as to the increase in the arrears of Land Revenue at the close of Fusly 1267. The Board will be good enough to give their early attention to the subject as the Statement of the arrears submitted by the Accountant General should be transmitted to the Secretary of State at an early date.

2. If the explanation is likely to be materially delayed, the Board will be good enough to report the fact, and the Statement will then be forwarded to England in anticipation of it.

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

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No. 493

Extract from the Minutes of Consultation
Under date the 9th April 1859

Read the following
letter from the Accountant
General.

(Here enter 2nd March 1859 No. 127)

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3 Obedience to the C^d of Rev^d Dated 11th

Bound. 8th March/59 No 11 K12
 of 5th March 1859 No 11
 of 5th March 1859 No 11

Revenue 1859 Dec 1st 59
 Dec 1st 59: 12th April
 No 493.

Extract of the
 29th April 59.

From the sheet of 20th 59
 No 493 of 1st 59: 10th May 59: 30th 59
 of 20th 59: 10th May 59: 30th 59
 of 20th 59: 10th May 59: 30th 59

The Board for reasons

stated, to furnish at an
 early date, the explanation
 already called for, as to the
 increase in the areas of
 land Revenue at the close
 of July 1859, and also to
 report if it is likely to be
 delayed.

From 13th of May 59 to 1st 59
 in Pm: 10th May 59 No 15-16.

No 35 + 36.

23rd March 12th April