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## Government of Madras.

Revenue **DEPARTMENT.**

G.O. No. 583 Press Mis.

Dated 2 9. 4. 1859.

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No. 60. Read the following letter from H. CLEGHORN, Esq., M. D., Conservator of Forests; to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department Fort Saint George; dated Madras, 14th April 1859, No. 591.

SIR,

*Fort St. George Gazette, 18th March 1859, Page 551.*

1. With reference to the order of Government marginally noted, I beg to solicit the temporary exemption of this Department in so far as it affects Forest *Overseers.*

2. A life of hardship in the jungles, risk of health, cost of provisions and the small amount of salary hinders the well educated man from joining this Department, or if he does, he soon carries his labour to a better market.

3. Under the peculiar circumstances of my Department, I hope I may be allowed to select those persons whose robust constitution fits them for such a life. My experience hitherto has been that Soldiers or Germans accustomed to a Forest life have served the State to the greatest advantage.

4. I am endeavouring to raise a class of Foresters by apprenticing lads at the different Botanic Gardens, but years must elapse before the Department can be supplied from this source.

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No. 61. ORDER THEREON, No. 583; dated 28th April 1859.

Under the circumstances stated in this letter the Governor in Council is pleased to exempt Forest Overseers for the present from the operation of the Uncovenanted service examination Rules. It is to be hoped that in the course of a few years, through the means which the Conservator is using, men may be found for that employment, possessing education and botanical knowledge, in addition to the physical stamina and active habits still more essentially necessary.

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

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Extract from the Minutes of Consultation
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