Revenue Department

Minutes of Consultations

1st to 10th June 1859

Book No 45 & 46

Order No 759 dt 7th June 1859

No. 45. Read the following letter from R. RAGUNATH ROW, Uncovenanted Deputy Collector; dated Combaconum, 3d April 1859.

MOST HONORED SIR,

I cannot find adequate words to express my feelings of gratitude for the deep obligation which you have been kindly and generously pleased to place me under, by conferring on me one of the Deputy Collectorships, and particularly by posting me for Tanjore. Devoid of interest as I had been, I had based my hopes of success entirely on your kind intercession on my behalf, and have had the good fortune to see them realized.

I beg leave to state the following for your kind consideration, and hope to be excused for the trouble I have dared thus to give you.

On the evening of the day on which I had the happiness of receiving my letter of appointment, I was directed by Mr. Beauchamp to go to Mr. Cadell to obtain instructions from him for my guidance. I reached Vullum the next morning, saw Mr. Cadell and waited there till the next evening as directed by him. That gentleman not having, up to then, received any specific instructions from the Board of Revenue, desired me to go back to Combaconum and there wait for his instructions. I have, therefore, come back and am doing my duty as a Sheristadar in the Civil Court.

Living as I am at Combaconum, a place notorious in Southern India for backbiting and similar other vices, I am afraid lest some incorrect information about my relation with this District, may be given to Government, and to guard against all evil, beg to append a statement showing the exact state of things.

You are aware, most honored Sir, that this District contains 16 Talooks, in 11 of which I have no landed property at all, and out of the other five, in 2 alone Trivady and Valengaman I may properly be called a Merasidar, my holdings in the other 3 being purely nominal.

Talook.	Extent. Valies.		Remarks.
Trivady...	130		
Valengaman...	40	Enam	Proceeds used to support the charitable institutions of my fathers.
Mayaveram	10		
Trivalore	14		
Munnargoody	60		Immemorial waste.

I have not got many relatives employed in the District, there being only 2.

The cash-keeper at Tranquebar is the father-in-law of the daughter of my brother, who has also given a security of Rupees 30,000 for him.

Except these, I have no other connection with the District.

If, upon representations from any quarter, the Government, notwithstanding the above circumstances, be of opinion that I shall not hold my appointment in this District, I beg to solicit that I may at least be transferred to Trichinopoly, as my circumstances will not permit me to remove myself to any other District.

I am perfectly aware of the saying that "beggars have no right to choose," and therefore *entreat* that you will be graciously pleased to post me either for Tanjore or Trichinopoly not wishing to be entrusive.

No. 46. ORDER THEREON, 7th June 1859, No. 759.

Believing Ragúnáth Ráo to be an honorable trustworthy man, the Governor in Council resolves that he shall be employed in his own District (Tanjore); and His Excellency trusts that this confidence will be an additional motive to him, not to abuse to his private advantage any of the powers confided to him.

This resolution will be communicated to Ragúnáth Ráo, and to the Board of Revenue for their information.

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

Excellency

Rev. Depart.

N° 759

Proceedings of the Madras Government.
Under date the 7th ~~May~~ June 1859

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Appends a statement Uncovenanted by Collector
shewing the talooks of his Tanjore
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Pro: of the Madras Govt.
Dy 7th June 59.
Further Pro: 7th Nov. 60 No 2067.
From Bd 10 Dec. 60
No 2983 - requesting to exempt as a special order from Colony Lands in Pro. 15th June No 101.

Ragunath Row employed in his own District / Tanjore / trusting that he will not abuse any of the powers confided to him - This Resolution communicated to the Bd and Ragunath Row.

No 45 & 46.