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No. 86. Read the following letter from C. PELLY, Esq., Member of the Board of Revenue; to J. D. BOURDILLON, Esq., Secretary to Government, Revenue Department, dated 23rd December 1859, No. 132.

From Collector, dated 11th August 1859, *No.* 20.
To „ „ *29th* „ „ „ 14.
From „ „ *20th September*„ „ 70.
To „ „ *23rd October* „ „ 55.
From „ „ *24th* „ „ „ 103.
„ „ „ *21st November* „ „ 167.
From Collector, 11th August 1859.

1. I have the honor to submit for the orders of Government a proposition for the future arrangement of táluqs of the late Masulipatam district accompanied by the correspondence on the subject.

2. There were in Masulipatam 12 táluqs. Mr. Knox's proposition is to reduce the number of táluqs to six, viz.

1. Bandar.
2. Gudiváda.
3. Ellúr.
4. Pentapad.
5. Bejváda.
6. Nandigáma.

3. Mr. Knox seems to have given much attention to the matter, but is decidedly of opinion that less than 6 táluqs cannot be recommended. He considers the area as large as can be properly supervised, and "he looks upon it as an actual denial of justice and grievous hardship to force ráyats to come such long distances for redress." He also alludes to the difficulty of travelling owing to the wretchedly bad roads of the district; and points out that the duties of Tahsildars will be increased in the district by the increase of irrigation, and disputes and cases originating out of this circumstances.

4. Mr. Knox (paragraph 10) expresses his full concurrence in a proposition formerly made by Mr. Fraser in respect to the establishment of one large Police táluq for the Nuzid estate comprising the Purganas of Gollapilly, Vyayaroy, Chatroy, Nannastalum Veejur and Madur, to which should be added that portion of the old Tirvur táluq which by Mr. Knox's line in the map is shown to be included partly in Nandigáma and partly in Bejváda táluqs. It will be observed that this arrangement (which would involve the appointment of a Magisterial officer distinct from the Tahsildars for this range) will considerably reduce the size of the táluqs of Bejváda and Ellúr and Nandigáma, and is now the more desirable, because Ellúr táluq is to be transferred entire to the Godávari district; and Gollapilly zamíndári adjoining it cannot be placed under the Tahsildar of a different district. The revenue portion of the first named táluq is only 399 square miles, but it cannot I apprehend be conveniently incorporated with Nandigáma and Juggiapetta, the revenue area of which is 509 square miles. The whole would be 900 square miles of revenue area and Mr. Knox is strongly opposed to further amalgamation.

5. Mr. Knox's arrangements are shown on the map. I do not recommend them entirely. I would keep the large zamíndári táluqs distinct from the Government revenue táluqs. It will be quite competent to the Collector to make arrangements for including them in part or in whole under the Magisterial charge of any Tahsildar, and to receive the peishkush into any treasury most convenient; but there is no necessity to cut them up and divide them permanently between the new táluqs. It is better to retain their names as they are.

6. It has been ordered by Government that the Masulipatam district should be divided between the two new divisions of the Krishna and the Godávari districts, and the Board of Revenue have in furtherance of this order, recommended a boundary line, which will throw the táluqs of Ellúr, Pentapad, Ralinghi, the Government táluq of Tirnour, and about half of the Kaíkalúr táluq including the whole of the Colair lake, into the Godávari district. This arrangement will, therefore, at once throw out of the Masulipatam district the two new táluqs of Ellúr and Pentapad proposed by Mr. Knox, and the arrangement of these táluqs will have to be considered in connection with the scheme that may be proposed by the Collector of Godávari. There remain then, only the Government táluqs of Díví, Bandar, Padana, Gudiváda half of Kaíkalúr, Bejváda, Nandigáma and Jaggiapetta. Mr. Knox proposes to divide these into four táluqs, and this arrangement though it will leave the Bejváda táluq very small; must I think be adopted, but without dividing the Nandigáma táluq as suggested by Mr. Knox.

Government order, 4th November 1859, *No.* 1499.
Proceedings Board of Revenue, 2d December 1859, *No.* 4977.

Táluqs proposed.	Composed of.		Area.	Revenue.	
Bandar	Díví	242	452	67,703	1,24,652
	Bandar	172		45,949	
	part of Padana	38		11,000	
Gudiváda	Gudiváda	212	584	1,08,453	1,62,535
	part of Padana	78		10,550	
	Do. Kaíkalúr	138		43,532	
	including Colair lake	156			
Bejváda			399	81,000	
Nandigáma Jaggiapetta			509	1,26,000	

In the above arrangement the large zamíndári districts are not included. The work in them may be given to separate Magisterial officers or to the neighbouring Tahsildars as found most convenient.

The divisions of táluqs as proposed by Mr. Knox are shewn by the small red dotted line, the alterations proposed by me by the black dotted = o = o = o= lines.

7. Mr. Knox observes that it will be very necessary to have an intelligent and active Police officer at Jaggiapetta. This will no doubt be attended to by the Commissioner of Mofussil Police; and, until the new Police arrangements are introduced, by the Magistrate.

8. In paragraph 13, the Collector especially urges on the re-consideration of Government the propriety of incorporating with the Masulipatam district the Madura purgana, a strip of land belonging to His Highness the Nizám, which juts into the district on the north western frontier. But this is a subject not falling within my province to discuss, but involving a political question.

9. When the táluqs are finally arranged it will be open to the Collector to propose any alteration in the present kasba stations of the táluqs, and also to submit for consideration any recommendation for deputy Tahsildars whom he may for special reasons think it necessary to entertain under the new system.

No. 87. ORDER THEREON, 20th January 1860, No. 102.

1. In the old district of Masulipatam there were twelve táluqs. Mr. Knox proposed to reduce these to six, but in the mean time Government ordered* the division of Masulipatam between the Collectorates of Rajahmundrí and Guntúr, and it is only necessary now to consider that portion of the divided district which fell to the latter or Krishna district.

* *4th November* 1859, *No.* 1499.

2. This contains seven whole táluqs and a portion of an eighth and these will in future be divided as follows into four táluqs:—

Old Táluqs.	New Táluqs.	Area.	Revenue.
Díví Bandar Padana (part)	Bandar	452	1,24,652
Gudiváda Padana (part) Kaíkalúr (part) including Colair Lake	Gudiváda	584	1,62,535
Bejváda	Bejváda	399	81,000
Nandigáma Jaggiapetta	Nandigáma	509	1,26,000

3. The boundaries of the táluqs should follow the dotted lines referred to by Mr. Pelly in paragraph 6 of his letter, in preference to the line of demarcation proposed by Mr. Knox.

4. Paragraphs 4 and 7 of Mr. Pelly's letter will be communicated to the Commissioner of Mofussil Police, for his consideration, as far as they have reference to his department.

5. The large Zamíndári táluq referred to in paragraph 5 should be, as Mr. Pelly suggests, kept distinct from the Government Revenue táluqs. The Magisterial work in it may be done for the present by the neighbouring Tahsildars, until Mr. Robinson takes the district in hand.

5. The question of the incorporation of the Madura purgana with the Krishna district would be advisable in many respects; it is impossible however as observed by the Board† of Revenue, to give the purganas of Monegal and Lingagerry in exchange for it, as the proprietors of these estates hold permanent sunnuds under Regulation XXV of 1802, which is an insuperable bar to their estates being transferred to a foreign jurisdiction.

† *Proceedings, 1st August* 1859, *No.* 2967, *paragraph* 10.

(Signed) T. PYCROFT,
Chief Secretary.

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Passing orders on the re-arrangement of Talugs in that part of the Kristna District which formerly belonged to Masulipatam.

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